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WASHINGTON.

Debate in the Senate on the Proposed Air-Line Railroad.

Appropriation Bills Reported and Discussed in the House.

Speech of Mr. Washburne on the National Expenditures.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Jan. 6.

Mr. SUMNER said all that could be said in the Senate to-day in favor of his bill for the chartering of the Air-Line Railroad between New-York and Washington. He adverted to the unusual and unnecessary charges of the Baltimore and Ohio Road, both for freight and passengers, and to the Maryland and New-Jersey taxes, confiscating this Congress and already and indubitably the authority, and that if there was no remedy in Congress to lessen the difficulties of travel in this city, the only alternative was to remove the capital. Two very large lobbies are operating for and against this measure, and Senators are very much divided in opinion on the question. The prevailing opinion appears to be that the bill, the further consideration of which has been postponed to Monday next, will not pass the Senate.

APPROPRIATION BILLS.

The Pension Appropriation bill came up to-day as the special order, and its consideration was pressed by Mr. WASHBURNE in a brief speech. The bill then passed without debate. The Consular and Diplomatic bill was then taken up, and its consideration proceeded with. Two amendments of the Committee were all agreed to, and after a warm contest an amendment offered by Gen. BUTLER abolishing the North American Missions of Cairo, Beirut and Smyrna, was adopted. Gen. BUTLER thus pays off Gen. KILPATRICK, who stumped his District last Fall against him.

MRS. MURPHY'S WAR CLAIMS.

The claims of Mrs. MURPHY for compensation for alleged damages to her property by United States troops during the late war came up for discussion again in the Senate to-day. Senators WILKES and RICE, when rather energetic in their defense, contended that the claim should be paid, while Senator FESSENDEN took the opposite side of the question. There are hundreds of cases like this which probably ought to be allowed, but if once the precedent of paying a claim of this character is established, it will be impossible to draw the line of discrimination between it and other demands which will certainly be brought forward, and which, if favorably passed upon, will tax millions of dollars out of the Treasury.

MILITARY OFFICERS.

Senator EDMUNDS introduced a bill about a week ago, which, in plain terms, though not in words, said military officers should not be appointed to Cabinet or other high positions of civil trust. A substitute for this bill was reported from the Judiciary Committee to-day, which will practically have the same effect that the original bill would have had if passed. It provides that no person shall have, hold nor receive compensation for discharging the duties of two offices, at the same time, whether such office be civil or military, and the acceptance of one shall be deemed the resignation of the other.

FOREIGN STATES RECOGNIZED.

The House Foreign Affairs Committee, at a meeting today, decided to report a joint resolution providing that the United States may establish a protectorate over the islands in the Caribbean Sea for the purpose of enabling them to establish stable republican forms of government against any and all influence foreign to them, or whenever the people of said islands may request the same. Hayti and St. Domingo are mentioned by name, and Cuba and Porto Rico are very strongly solicited. The Committee will also favorably report on the Senate resolution expressive of sympathy with the people of Spain. Gen. BUTLER, when his letter comes up for consideration, will offer an amendment devoting the Spanish people to establish a republican form of government. It is also expected that he will introduce a resolution of sympathy with the Cubans.

THE REVENUE COMMITTEE.

The Senate Finance Committee have agreed to report adversely to the nomination of ALEXANDER SYMPERSON to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue. It is understood that Senator CAMERON has consented to press his reference in behalf of Mr. SYMPERSON. Commissioner ROLLINS was returned this morning, and will take his job of Monday.

PROPOSED BRIDGE IN HARTFORD.

The consideration of a bridge over the Connecticut River at Hartford was considered to-day by the Senate Committee on Post Office and Post Roads, but no definite action was taken on the subject.

THE ALASKA INVESTIGATION.

The Alaska investigation will be resumed to-morrow, Mr. HULBURD, Chairman of the Committee having returned to-day. Several more newspaper correspondents will be examined.

THE NEW-YORK REVENUE INVESTIGATION.

Hon. H. L. DAWES, Chairman of the Committee on Elections, and member of the Committee on Ways and Means from New-York, returned to-day, have spent the greater part of the week in attendance upon the sessions of the Committee. He reports a large amount of evidence taken, and more to prove, in addition, the charges of which fully justifies the investigation. The Committee will begin sessions in earnest at the beginning of the early next week.

SENATORIAL CONTESTS.

The several Senatorial contests create much interest here. This in New-York is most absorbing, of course. The Fenton influence, which is very strong here, claimed to have been largely relied on in the Legislature during the past few days, and this when confidently predicted early impending. Before adjournment to-day, however, in the reduction of Senator Monroe, and it is the simple truth to state that of all the small talked for Senators his return is most earnestly desired by the members of both Houses than that of any other. Gov. MORGAN left for New-York to-day for a brief absence. In Pennsylvania the dispatches received to-day indicate the contest as confined to the representation of both the Curtin and Cameron elements upon Hon. John Scott, of Huntingdon County, who will be nominated by the Republican caucus to-morrow night. Mr. SCOTT is comparatively unknown out side of his State, but is represented as a lawyer of much ability. He has been for many years the attorney of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

REPUBLICANS' CONVENTION.

The National Republicans' Convention will hold its annual session that night. Money, when it is stated, measures will be adopted to obviate the injurious influence of politics as far as possible. The question of the repeal of the Conspiracy laws in the Southern States, by-laws, and other subjects affecting the Union in general, will be discussed.

THE CASE OF SUMNER.

We are never likely to hear the end of the Sumner case. The District-Attorney formed a bank indictment against him a few days ago, for being engaged in the rebellion, with the additional issue that the said Sumner H. SUMNER fled from justice. This indictment was first found a true bill, but it was immediately and argued in consequence, it is said, of the President's recent amnesty proclamation.

REMEMBRANCES TO OHIO.

Senator SHERMAN will shortly give an emphatic reply to some of his numerous friends on the Appropriation and Ways and Means Committees of the two Houses, together with the heads of Departments. Hon. D. McCARTHY, the Democratic Representative, is also preparing for a grand party to be given shortly, he has taken the spacious house formerly occupied by Hon. Reverdy Johnson.

ARRIVALS IN THE CITY.

Among the latest arrivals in the city are Collector Barriss, Hon. W. A. Darrah, Hon. W. A. Wheeler, of New-York; Ex-Gov. Stokes, of Tennessee; Gen. J. Warren Ward, United States Minister to Brazil, who was on the floor of both Houses, and received the congratulations of many Members.

Dispatches to the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Jan. 6.

THE PUBLIC DEBT STATEMENT.

The following is the statement of the public debt of the United States on the 1st day of January, 1869:

Debt Bearing Gold Interest.	
Five per cent. bonds	$283,680,000 00
Six per cent. bonds of 1862	509,577,400 00
Six per cent. five-twenty bonds	1,402,246,450 00
Total	$2,195,503,850 00
Debt Bearing Currency Interest.	
Certificates at three per cent.	$855,000 00
Navy pension fund at three per cent.	14,000,000 00
Total	$60,855,000 00
Matured Debt not Presented for Payment.	
Three years seven-thirty notes due Aug. 15, 1867, and June and July, 1868	$2,116,960 00
Compound interest notes matured June 10, July 15, Aug. 15, Sept. 15, Oct. 15, Nov. 15, Dec. 15, Jan. 15, Feb. 15, Mar. 15, Apr. 15, May 15, June 1 and 15, and Oct. 1 and 15, 1868	2,870,320 00
Bonds, Texas indemnity	800,000 00
Treasury notes, acts of July 17, 1861, and prior thereto	146,667 54
Bonds April 15, 1842, Jan. 28, 1847, and March 31, 1848	500,000 00
Bonds of 1858, March 1, 1864	845,400 00
Temporary loan	177,250 00
Certificates of indebtedness	12,000 00
Total	$7,468,608 54
Debt Bearing No Interest.	
United States notes	$356,021,078 00
Fractional currency	26,215,715 54
Gold certificates of deposit	27,036,020 00
Six per cent. lawful money bonds issued to Pacific Railroad Companies	90,097,000 00
Total	$467,369,813 54
Total debt	$2,663,185,882 08
Amount in the Treasury.	
Coin	$80,752,880 97
Currency	19,053,582 13
Total	$111,806,461 10
Amt. of debt less cash in Treasury	$2,540,707,501 28

The foregoing is a correct statement of the public debt, as appears upon the books and Treasury records in the Department on the 1st of January, 1869.

HUGH McCULLOCH,
Secretary of the Treasury.

DEBTS DUE THE GOVERNMENT.

There is a large number of old debts, mostly in judgments, due the United States, out of which nothing has been collected for many years. Repeated effort has been made during the past three years to create something out of them. In some cases lands have been levied on which are encumbered by prior liens that nothing can be made by ordinary proceedings. In other cases debtors have equitable interests which can only be reached by proceedings in chancery. In other cases protracted litigations are pending, with which the process officers have had no connection. In view of these and other facts stated by the Solicitor of the Treasury, the Secretary has proposed to Congress a section, to be made a part of the General Appropriation bill, as follows:

That the Secretary of the Treasury be and he is hereby authorized to allow and direct payment of the necessary expenses incurred in collecting debts due to the United States, and in making sales of lands acquired in such collections, out of the proceeds thereof, in all cases where such payment is not now provided by law.

THE NAVAL APPROPRIATION BILL.

The Navy Appropriation bill reported in the House of Representatives to-day by Mr. WASHBURNE, of Illinois, from the Appropriation Committee, proposes considerable reduction from the bill of last year. Among some of the reductions are the following:

For the pay of commissioned, warrant and petty officers and seamen, $7,000,000 in the place of $8,100,000; for the Navy Yard at Norfolk, $80,000, in the place of $89,000; for Navy Yard at Kittery, $80,000, in the place of $90,000; for the Navy Yard at Mound City, $5,000, in the place of $27,000; for the preservation of vessels, etc., $2,000,000 in the place of $3,000,000.

The several Bureaus of the Department come in for their share of the reduction. In the appropriation for the Marine Corps a gratuity is inserted, that the pay of the officers of the Marine Corps shall be limited to $1,000 per year. The bill further proposes that the officers of the Marine Corps shall be formed in one Colonel, one Lieutenant-Colonel, two Majors, one Adjutant and Inspector, four Paymasters, one Quartermaster, one Assistant Quartermaster, twenty Captains, twenty First Lieutenants and twenty Second Lieutenants, one Sergeant-Major, Commissary Sergeant, Quartermaster Sergeant, Drum-Major, Fife-Major, Color-Sergeants, Corporals and Clerks, to be selected from Commissioned Officers of the Marine Corps, and to be called Administrative Officers, and to be in addition to the present Corps.

Mr. WASHBURNE, of Illinois, Mr. Chairman, in proceeding to the consideration of the first in the series of regular appropriation bills to be considered, it may not be deemed inappropriate to submit to the House some observations on the character and extent of the appropriations necessary for the support of the Army and Navy and other public services. It must be a matter of paternal congratulation to all good citizens that our time is now given with the attention of the people can be given in a greater degree to the material and vital interests of the country. A gigantic rebellion was crushed; slavery, the cause of all our troubles, was abolished; the Constitution, or in the place of it, a loyal administration, on the basis of equal rights before the law to all; a loyal administration of the country secured for the next four years; the bitterness of party feeling assuaged; the earnest attention of the people turned to the material interests of the country; the enormous disbursements of the country, which will die away with the lapse of time, and the people will compel Congress to entertain other and different questions than those which have for so many years absorbed the attention and energies of everyone. With the entrance of Nevada and Colorado into the Union, with full and equal representation for all men in all the States, and with manhood suffrage secured by legislation or constitutional amendment, the minds of the people will turn to questions of finance, of taxation, of economy, of commerce, of manufactures, of internal improvements, of legislation, of tariffs, and to questions of railroad, telegraph, and express monopolies, which are sucking the very life-blood of the people, of the administration of the revenue laws and to the postal and disbursements of the Treasury by disbursing officers. Already the cries of the people are upon Congress. Congress is responsible, for they are upon the Republican majority in Congress, for that majority is now responsible before the country for the legislation of Congress. It can make and remake laws in defiance and contempt of Executive veto. The Republican party is responsible for the last election because it alone, by its majority, controlled the legislation of the country, the appointing of public officers and public moneys, and the faithful execution of the laws. And those powers cannot now be ignored without subjecting that party to the censure of the people. The condition of the country, the vast public debt, the weight of taxation, the depreciated and fluctuating currency, the extravagant expenditure of public money, the best administration of the Government, the exortions of monopolies, press upon our attention with does crushing force. The people elected Gen. GRANT to the Presidency not only on account of the great and inestimable services he has rendered the country in subduing the rebellion; not only on account of the great and glorious principles of the Republican party, but because they believed he would be emphatically an honest man and an enlightened statesman, who would faithfully administer the laws without fear, favor or affection. The times have come when we are imperatively called upon to make a new departure. Added to other terrible evils brought upon the country by the war, the demoralization of the rebellion, is the demoralization incident to all great wars, and to the expenditures of vast and unheard of amounts of public money; to the giving out of immense contracts by which sudden and vast fortunes were made, the inflation of the currency, which has enriched speculators, stimulated extravagance and corruption, by the insane desire to get suddenly rich out of the Government, and without labor, and the inventions and schemes generally to get money out of the Treasury for the benefit of individuals without regard to the interests of the Government. While we rejoice at the expanding energies of a people who are incorporating into the Union, devoted to the salvation of their Government, and were pouring out their blood and treasure in its defence, there was the vast army of the loyal, the venal and hypocritic, who rushed in to take advantage of the misfortunes of the country and to plunder it. The public treasury and stocks are loaded with legislation which will transfer hundreds of millions from the people to private railroad corporations, and tens of millions of money, for the same purpose, have become a charge upon the people. While the laborer was monopolizer are crushing the life out of him and thence upon the people, while the laborer was paid in depreciated currency, which fluctuated in value, the money of the people was paid by the people; that their constituents were confident to them the great trust of guarding their rights and promoting their interests; that their position and their power are to be used for the benefit of the people who they represented and not for the benefit of the people who are the agents of the loan-jobbers, the speculators, and the speculators who have come to Washington to make a raid upon the Treasury. The time has also come, in my judgment, when public men are to be held to a more strict accountability, to a more strict discharge of their duty, and to more critical eye. It is no longer enough that the public men of this country may say, I do not steal myself, I do not take bribes myself, I do not accept favors myself, I do not take bribes myself, I do not accept favors myself, I do not take bribes myself, I do not accept favors

CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA.

Arrival of the Steamer Rising Star—$589,675 in Specie.

The steamship *Rising Star*, which left Aspinwall Dec. 29, reached this port yesterday. She brings the specie indicated in the subjoined

TREASURE LIST.

Eugene Kelly & Co.	$109,000 00	Kunhardt & Co.	$8,000 00
Dabney, Morgan, & Co.	81,650 00	J. Probst & Co.	500 00
Leon & Walley	50,000 00	Wm. Parker	4,000 00
Wells, Fargo & Co.	56,325 16	S. L. Isaacs & Bro.	500 00
		Total	$309,975 16

AFFAIRS IN COLOMBIA.

The Panama Railroad Question—The Ice Project—The Honduras Railway Scheme.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PANAMA, Tuesday, Dec. 29, 1868.

We have news from Bogota, the capital of the Republic, to the 24 inst. The Republic is represented to be in peace by the Liberal administration, while the "puros," or Conservatives, affirm that we are on the eve of a general revolution, which will crush the present Government to atoms. The Constitutional Governor and his associates, seized in October, are still held in prison by the President in Bogota, notwithstanding the decision of the Supreme Court that they had done no wrong. It is said by the Liberals that the Legislature of Cundinamarca will decide the question against their own State ruler, and that Congress in February will sustain the action of the President of the Republic in throwing him into prison. However this may all be, I do not think we have any great security for peace. What with the active opposition of the Conservatives and the disposition of the Liberals to split on the present President, Gurrerrez, and Gen. Mosquera, who is now plotting for the sceptre, I think we are bound to have a revolution.

THE PANAMA RAILROAD COMPANY.

The States are taking up the matter of the late outrage of the union with the Panama Railroad Company. The State of Santander leads the way with the following resolutions:

The Legislative Assembly of the State, in use of the power ceded to it in article 25 of the National Constitution, gives its vote of nullity:

ARTICLE 1. To the contract (formatory of that of 15th of April, 1850, relative to the construction of a railroad from one ocean to another over the Isthmus of Panama, celebrated 4th July, 1867, between the Secretary of State of the United States of Colombia and Messrs. Sloane, Stephens, Morris and Trist, general agent of the Panama Railroad.

ART. 2. To the approval given to said contract by the National Executive power.

ART. 3. To the decree of Congress issued 18th August, 1867, approving the said contract.

ART. 4. To the decree of the Executive of 15th August, 1867, approving of a law of the Republic, the legislative decree approving the contract celebrated 4th July, 1867, reformatory of that of 15th April, 1850, relative to the construction of a railroad from one ocean to another over the Isthmus of Panama.

II. The Legislature calls upon the Assemblies of the States of Antioquia, Cauca, of Cundinamarca and Magdalena to issue a resolution in the same spirit. This vote is to be communicated to the National Congress, to the Supreme Federal Court, to the National Assembly and to the Legislative Assemblies of the States.

The semi-official paper of the Government of Bogota, *El Viento Rizado*, says: "The Government still continues its preparations for war, although we are disposed to believe that peace will not be seriously disturbed until Congress meets." Referring to the action of the President of the union in arresting the President of the State of Cundinamarca on the 19th of October, the same paper says: "If the Camara accuses the President and the Senate approves the accusation, this is no proof that the President was wrong, but that the conservative element is strongest in Congress, and that the Liberals are beaten with Gen. GUTIERREZ. * * * We understand, then, that if the accusation is admitted war is inevitable." "If the Camara does not accuse, or if the Senate does not admit the accusation, the Republic will be dissolved, Antioquia separating from it, or there will be proof that the Conservative Party does not exist, which is inadmissible, in view of the protest which the Governments of that State and Tolima have addressed to the Government of the Union." "So things as they may, the President of the Union has promised that he will not let the Liberal Party lose, and we are fully confident in his word."

The State Legislatures are now nominating candidates for the national Presidency, and SANDER, late Minister to Washington, appears to be the favorite. The States of Cundinamarca, Boyaca and Panama have already nominated him, and it is quite certain he will get Santander and Cauca, unless MOSQUERA kicks up a muss in the latter State. Panama at first gave his vote for Don JUSTO ARCHUNDIA, but, finding the current to be in favor of SANDER, recognized the matter.

COREDORO AND PANAMA.

Panama is quiet. CORREDORO has finally reached the goal (not the jail) of his ambition. The Legislative Assembly, without any consultation with the people, have declared him Governor, or President for Panama for four years, which is equivalent to making him Dictator. Well, we hope he will be a good one, so long as he lasts.

THE ICE PROJECT.

The Legislature has passed the ice project I mentioned in my last. By this law the "State reserves to itself, as a notable tax, the right to sell ice in its territory," and will transfer this right to any one for five years who will pay the highest price for the right and observe the following conditions: First—Sell it at not more than fifteen cents the kilogramme. Second—Keep his ice-house open from 7 A. M. to 6 P. M. Third—Pay a fine of $100 a day for every day he is out of ice, unless let off by the Government. Fourth—A discount of fifty per cent must be made on hospitals. Fifth—In case the Executive does not choose to farm out the privilege, the sale shall be declared free. Sixth—If made free, each one going into the trade must pay $100 a month tax. Now, as the Isthmus ports are made free to foreign trade by law, trades and contracts of the Republic, and as ice is not a native product here, it is quite certain that no discriminating tax can be put upon its sale, and so the Legislature has provided, in the fifth article quoted, for backing down handsomely. Still, I presume, the present importers (the Boston Ice Company) will be harassed considerably before its right to be let alone will be recognized, and, beside, will have to do hard battle with the sharp lawyer for the Legislature who got up the law.

THE COMMERCIAL TAX.

The Constituent Assembly has also passed a law nearly doubling the commercial tax, which tax falls mostly on foreign merchants. You will recollect that, in the midst of the "row" between the national factions in this State, Congress, by decree, doubled this tax to pay the expenses of the blood-letting; that the Consular objected against it as inconsistent with the rights of their country, guaranteed by treaties, and that Mr. SEWARD wrote a very strong letter on the subject, which never came to the authorities here to discount their action in the collection of the duty. Now they think to divert the attention of the foreigners by the pretence that the extra tax is for the general (peace) expenses of the Government. But the fact is, that the war is pretty nearly over, and of course the extra tax is no longer needed. The merchants are now applying to the Consuls for protection against these exactions.

THE PROPOSED RAILROAD ACROSS HONDURAS.

I noticed a short time since, in the Times, a letter from E. G. SQUIER, in which he took exceptions to your correspondent for questioning the sincerity of the party who advertise this city as making a railroad across Honduras. Mr. SQUIER, following an unfair bent to reconcile the truth, asserts that my letter of this road are already under construction. Those who have only took to investing in the Sogada affair had better, before doing so, read the *Panama Star and Herald*, which speaks of the matter as follows:

"Some time ago we try in vain to find some reliable information relative to the first mile of making has so far we can learn, nothing satisfactory as to its progress. Every steamer that comes from Central America we overhaul our exchanges and inquire of passengers as to news, or anything being done, but neither the periodicals nor the people appear to know anything about it. A month since we or our agent purchased from the chief of operations, who told us that the national corps, consisting of two engineers and four men, had started off on a mining expedition, but that nothing whatever had been done toward even making a survey of the road. We are sanguine as we believe this to be the case, and we suspect the whole affair is bound, from the not that, though at odds to the country, are only items that could be passed off as news, puff through American or English papers."

PERSONAL.

CHARLES WESTMORELAND, who came passenger from California for Washington in the last steamer, to take to Washington the electoral vote of his State, was accosted with small-pox before arriving at Panama, and died on the 23d inst. LOUIS MELLER, of Hanover, Prussia, who was nominally the chief of the house of PERES, PLANAS & ORAMBO, in this city, died on the 27th of yellow fever. RAMON SANCHEZ, son of Don RAMON SANCHEZ, of Carthagena, died here on the 22d. He was a clerk in the office of the Panama Railroad Company. Gen. THOMAS KILBY SMITH, Consul at Panama, has been quite sick the past ten days, but I am glad to say is recovering.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Capt. JOHN SMITH, *alias* Henry V. Clinton, *alias* Sumner, the forger, is still held in prison here. In the meantime new charges against him arrive by each steamer. The last was a forgery in California for $4,200 on the Park National Bank of New-York. I have not learned that the Legislature has consented to give him up to the Consul, to be sent to the United States.

The Australian and Panama steamer Sunderland, with other property, was attached by Panama creditors a few days since for $60,000 of protested bills, but the vessel was allowed to proceed on her voyage, on the guarantee of the agent of the Royal Mail Company at Aspinwall that the bills should be met in six months, with interest and damages.

The Royal Mail Company claim that falling off of the large side-wheel steamers, the *Arno*, at Aspinwall two nights ago. A breeze at the whart passed while the wind was blowing very fresh, letting the vessel strike heavily against the wharf. The vessel was considerably damaged, and will require some repairs. By the way, it is understood that the Company will no longer run its large steamers through from South-ampton to Aspinwall, but will go only to Kingston and transfer to vessels of a smaller class. The reason for this is the large difference in expenses at Aspinwall over Kingston in labor and coal, &c.

The sloop-of-war Opeco is at Panama, and the gunboat Kansas at Aspinwall.

Political Affairs in Chili and Peru—Serious Opposition to the President of Chili—Continued Excitement on the Chilian Frontier by the Indians.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PANAMA, Tuesday, Dec. 29, 1868.

The regular British steamer from the south coast arrived at Panama on the night of the 20th, but too late to deliver the news for the last steamer from Aspinwall for New-York. The date is from Valparaiso and Santiago de Chili to the 5th, and from Lima and Callao to the 15th instant.

CHILI.

The enemies of the present administration are indefatigable in their opposition, and it is generally believed that they will force the President to dismiss his Cabinet.

The Indians of Araucos continue to attack the Chilian frontier defenses, forcing the Government to keep up an expensive force and harassing the settlers.

The French Baron DE LA RIVIERE, who made a one-sided contract with the Minister of Finance at Santiago, for the Mejillones guano, has finally been thrown, and Senor MIRANDA has been put in possession of the property. He is a pity Spaniard, who has made so much money in Chili, and is now making as much in Peru, would not take a few lessons in honesty, and practice on the old adage of settling a few of the old scores against him in California and New-York.

The Ministers of the Interior wishes to reform the law of 1862 in relation to the diplomatic service, and invites the diplomats of Chili to furnish every particular relative to the diplomatic service of the country to which they are appointed, including the ceremonials had at their reception, &c., so that the Commission of Congress may have the benefit of their experience in framing a new law.

A new decree makes it incumbent upon contractors for furnishing foreign ships of war with provisions, &c., to furnish a list of the goods required and contracted for before their delivery.

PERU.

The question of the finances continues to trouble the Government. It is estimated that the Government must expend $67,283 in the next two years, and that it will receive from all sources—of course including the guano—only $42,000, so the price of guano must be raised if the Government would live.

At Pisagua and other portions of the south of Peru the yellow fever does not decrease.

Great opposition is still maintained against the present President, Col. BALTA, by chronic revolutionists as well as in Congress, and as soon as Arequipa and the balance of the South recover a little from the effects of the earthquake, there will be no longer an increase of the dissatisfaction that BALTA, "or any other man," will have to walk the plank.

The managers of the Pacific Steam Navigation Company, from Valparaiso to Panama, are getting up a petition to the Government of Peru and Mexico Company to put on a line from Panama to Valparaiso, to connect with its line to Aspinwall, and talk of reducing freight and passenger rates thirty per cent.

RESUMPTION.

Senator Morton's Second Letter in Reply to Mr. Greeley.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4, 1869.

Hon. Horace Greeley:

DEAR SIR: I have always been averse to newspaper controversies, and this is the first one into which I have been beguiled. Your second letter, like the first, proceeds upon the assumption that by a mere declaration of resumption the currency would be brought to par, and that such declaration should be made without delay. This assumption is unsupported by a single fact or argument. It is contradicted by all financial experience, whether in connection with specie or paper currencies.

You offer to prove that resumption should take place at once, by saying that the way for a drunkard to reform is to reform at once, and for a sinner to repent is to repent at once, and not at the end of two years and a half. Further, under saying I cannot see the force of your illustration, I quite be as wicked in using that the child prodigal had been a man to save time, because the way to reform a drunkard is to reform at once.

As a military commander, you would attack every fortress by storm, without awaiting the slow process of investing and battering down its walls. Instead of everything to repent is to repent at once. Suppose your logic to consider what would be the effect upon the country, and I have discussed it only as one of the many observations that into the public mind calculated to prevent the clear perception of the situation, and of the measures of relief.

I believe that resumption is demanded by the best interests of the people; that it can be accomplished without serious injury to any class, or to business, that it must proceed by a distinct recognition of the principle that the currency is to be paid according to promise (that is, gold or its equivalent) on or before the maturity of the obligation, and that the Government is prepared to make the people to prepare for it, and at a time when the notes will reach par by gradual approximation.

Not doubting that in all your suggestions you are inspired by the same patriotic motives which I claim for myself, I am, very respectfully, yours,

O. P. MORTON.

FREQUENT FIRES.

The Fire Marshal and the Chief Engineer in Harmony—Incendiarism in the City, and some have gone so far as to assign a cause for the supposed fact, viz., a want of harmony between the Fire Marshal and the Chief. Reporter has investigated the subject as carefully as possible, and the facts which are now added are obtained directly from the Fire Marshal, the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department and from several insurance companies.

Advance sheets of the Chief Engineer's annual report for 1868 inform us that, in the last year, there have been 740 fires, with an alleged loss of $4,343,371. This is 128 less than those occurred in 1867, the loss is less by $1,288,629. The Chief Engineer is not concerned, however, in ascertaining the causes of fires. He gives us the whole number from whatever cause they may result.

Insurance companies estimate the positive probability of incendiary fires very high. Boston says there is at the bottom of two-thirds of all the fires that occur. Others call this too high a rate, but say that design and carelessness cause three-quarters of the fires. They say that in France there are not one-twentieth as many fires as in this country, and they attribute the disproportion to the fact that in France the French is the disproportion is an insurrection policy when the fire has been shown to have resulted from design or carelessness on the part of the owner. It is undoubtedly true that the incendiaries are in a vast majority of cases, the owners of the property burned. Some men report it as a most business like transaction to insure an unsalable lot of goods and set it on fire. All the insurance companies, however, whom we have consulted, express the opinion that there has been no recent increase in the cases of incendiarism.

Fire Marshal BRADNER has been in office only about eight months. He and his men were kept in that office previous to his appointment, so that a comparison of his work with that of his predecessor is impossible. We give a summary of several of his monthly reports. In December there were fifty-two fires, four of which are known to be the work of design. In October there were twenty-four fires, three known to be incendiary. Four persons who were charged with the crime of incendiarism and other fires are now in custody. In November there were eighty-three fires, fifteen being incendiary. Eleven of these were stables fired by a gang of boys who had been accosted and asked to them and were turned out. The Fire Marshal reports by February to have eight men convicted of arson, and that in a month's time he noticed an increase in the number of fires since the commencement of his administration. He investigates every fire, no matter how slight the loss may have been, and no matter how unsuspicious an origin appears at first sight. He is determined to do all he can to make incendiarism unsafe, and the increased number of prosecutions for arson cannot but diminish the frequency of its commission.

As to the work of harmony between the Marshal and the Courts, there was, long ago, a little disagreement between Marshal BRADNER and Justice DOWLING, on account of an order that incendiaries should first be examined by the former. Both sides to be adjusted, and the Chief Engineer, who is on the best terms with the Marshal, regards his duty, in cases of fire, as analogous to that of a Coroner in cases of sudden death. His examination naturally precedes that of the Police Court.

We add certain facts from the report of the Chief Engineer, which will interest our readers.

The Fire Department consists of one Chief Engineer, one Assistant Engineer, one Marshal, one clerk, and all other officers and men distributed into forty-two companies. There are forty-seven steam fire-engines in the city, several new, one having been purchased during the past year for the region south of Fifty-ninth-street. A new style of two-wheel hose-tender has been adopted. These tenders carry eight men, and, in case of a fire, are instead of being wheeled by a run. There are seven Hook and Ladder companies, and attached to each of these is what is called a two-wheeled "Bumper," carrying eight lengths of hose, designed to be attached to hydrants to keep down in check until the arrival of engines. The Chief Engineer recommends that a stable be built in each of this part, because time can avoid the service of it, in case of fire, by running for a jumper and then saving time. He gives the following list of places where jumpers and tenders are to be obtained:

Hartough's Mills, foot of Twenty-seventh-street, near North River.

Fire Department, foot of Bank-street, near North River.

Fourth-avenue Railroad Company's stables, corner Fourth-avenue and Thirty-second-street.

Colored Home, foot of Sixty-fourth-street, near East River.

Insurance Patrol office, Dutch-street, near Fulton-street.

Insurance Patrol office, No. 172 Elm-street.

Report Yard, No. 31 Elizabeth-street.

Fire Department stables, No. 100 Chrystie-street.

THE SHANDLEY HOMICIDE.

Inquest by Coroner Flynn—Evidence of the Eye-witnesses—The Prisoner Committed.

Coroner FLYNN held an inquest yesterday in the case of JAMES SHANDLEY, aged 16, who died at Bellevue Hospital, on Sunday morning, from the effects of a stab wound inflicted by Wm. McCutcheon, aged 18, one of his associates, while they were in a distillery, No. 541 First-avenue, on the 23d ult. The following is an abstract of the evidence elicited:

Mary Ann McCutcheon, of No. 541 First-avenue, testified: On the evening of the 23d of December, 1868, I accompanied James Shandley, the deceased, to the distillery of McKenzie & Herriot, No. 541 First-avenue; the prisoner McCutcheon was sitting down near the fire; he got up when we entered and told deceased if he was going to do anything, he (McCutcheon) was ready; deceased said he was not; I said, "Yes, you do them without saying anything more," stabbed Shandley; I then went out for help; he two stones with the intention of striking the prisoner; I threw the stones away without having struck the prisoner; Dugan, the watchman, took the prisoner out of the place; I saw Shandley with the knife out of his hand; I asked Shandley to go into neighboring drug store and cannot the arrest of the prisoner by Officer Conklin, of the Twenty-first Precinct; the deceased was then taken to Bellevue Hospital.

Patrick J. Dugan, the watchman at the place where the stabbing occurred, testified that the prisoner was in a state of intoxication; I left him considerably; when the deceased and two friends arrived and asked for drinks, prisoner asked them if they were going to treat; after some words between them, McCutcheon stabbed Shandley in the abdomen; McCutcheon was drunk at the time.

Officer Thos. Conklin, of the Twenty-fifth Precinct, found the deceased in the drug store, and was informed by him that McCutcheon had stabbed him; he was asleep when I arrested McCutcheon; he was much excited, though not intoxicated; when asked why he had stabbed Shandley, McCutcheon replied, "Because they are all down on me." He (McCutcheon) allowed that the knife and the stabbing dentical thing it was his.

Dr. Wm. H. D. Smith, House Surgeon of Bellevue Hospital, had made a post-mortem examination and found a penetrating wound of the first lumbar vertebra, the intestine having been cut in two; the deceased had resisted from peritonitis following the injury.

The jury rendered a verdict against the prisoner, and left in full custody of the Police Court, charged with murder, and taken to the Tombs.

New-York Historical Society—Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the New-York Historical Society was held on Tuesday evening, at the rooms of the Society, corner of Lexington-avenue and Second-street. During the absence of the President, the Chairman of the Executive Committee, Mr. Gallatin, was elected to the chair. The minutes of the last annual meeting, and also of the monthly meeting, and also of the meeting for the annual dinner, which were adopted, and on motion of Mr. BENJAMIN H. FIELD, Treasurer, presented his annual report, of which the following is an abstract:

TREASURER'S REPORT, FOR 1868.

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1868, all on hand	$177 32
Receipts for annual dues, arrears, &c.	11,420 00
Receipts for life members	700 00
Rent of building	1,300 00
Interest from Corporation Stock	1,200 00
Interest from Thomas fund	24 00
Interest from Rhode Island fund	24 00
Total	$14,845 32
Payments for 1868	13,170 32
Balance in hand in Manhattan Bank	$1,675 00
Stocks, on hand, belonging to the following accounts:	
Gravesner fund	$10,000 00
Josiah Thomas fund	500 00
Rhode Island fund	500 00
Publication fund	10,000 00
Balance in Bank of America	1,000 00
Grand total	$23,675 00

This report was referred, and returned to the Auditing Committee.

Mr. Wood, the Librarian, delivered his annual report on the condition and progress of the library and collections.

The annual report of the Executive Committee was presented, from which it appeared that the condition of the Society is in every respect satisfactory and encouraging. It referred to the commencement of the series of publications in honor of the Society, the first volume of which has just been issued, the second volume has just been from the press, edited by a Committee consisting of George Bancroft, John Comly, Benjamin H. Field, George Henry Moore. The report also referred to the proposed monument to the memory of Gen. Pulitzer by subscription, and the art in the Central Park, and paid a glowing tribute to the martyr man, who is so better his wealth upon History and Art in this establishment. The report closed with reference to the obituary record of the year.

The election followed. The nominating committee presented the following ticket, which was unanimously adopted:

President, Hon. A. D. Gilmore; Vice-Presidents, Hon. Hamilton Fish, Hon. Gulian C. Verplanck, Hon. Daniel D. Tompkins, Hon. Luther Bradish, Hon. Peter Cooper, Hon. Thurlow Weed, Hon. Wm. Cullen Bryant, Hon. Robert C. Winthrop, Hon. Wm. Kent, Hon. Wm. Curtis Noyes, Hon. Wm. Maxwell, Hon. Wm. Allen Butler

alteration, at least as between the maker and the Co-lumbian Insurance Company, and that the receiver, who is in the same position as the Company, is estopped by reason of the assignment. The ques-tion involved herein is now pending in the Court of Appeals.

Judge CARDOZO directed the jury to find a verdict for the plaintiff for the full amount with interest, and gave permission to the defendant to take the case to the General Term in the first instance on the questions of law raised at the trial.

For plaintiff, Mr. D. Field; for the defendant, Messrs. Morrison, Lauterbach and Spingarn.

SUPERIOR COURT—GENERAL TERM—JAN. 6.

Before Judges Monell, Jones, and Fithian.

The National Corn Exchange Bank, appellant, vs. George W. Holtsinger, respondent.—This was a cause involving the validity of a power of attorney, given by a party having a claim against the United States Government, to a claim agent, to prosecute and obtain from the Government the amount of the same, and dated prior to the date of the warrant on the Treasury. By act of Congress of Feb. 26, 1853, it is declared that all "powers of attorney, or-ders, or other authorities for receiving payment of any such claim shall be null and void unless the same shall be freely made and executed after the al-lowance of such claim, the ascertainment of the amount due, and the issuing of a warrant for the payment thereof."

Richard Green, being a claim agent in Nashville, under a formal power of attorney, prosecuted a claim in behalf of George W. Holtsinger for pay as an army officer, and obtained from the Government in payment certain drafts or warrants on the United States Treasury, payable to the said Holtsinger or his order; and without calling for the second power of attorney required by the statute, but relying on the force of the original power of attorney, Green indorsed the warrants to Stanton, President of the Bank, by whom they were collected from the United States Treasury. Holtsinger brought action against the bank as having received money in his behalf which they have never paid over. The cause was heard before a referee, who rendered a report in favor of the plaintiff, which was confirmed by the Court, and from this judgment the defendants ap-peal to the General Term.

The questions discussed were whether the right of indorsement by the agent was authorized by the power of attorney. Whether, admitting that the in-dorsement was invalid, the plaintiff has a right of action against the defendants, inasmuch as the money might be regarded as the property of the Government and not of the plaintiff.

The Court seemed to lean toward the opinion that indorsement as the case, as submitted, did not show authority, and that these warrants as having been issued in payment of a Government claim as con-templated by the statute—it would be a question whether they could consider the relation of that statute to the case? Decision reserved.

Charles P. Crosby, for appellant; O. L. Stewart, for respondent.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—JAN. 6.

Before Judge Barbour.

Lopez vs. Babcock & Brien.—This was a mo-tion to vacate an order of arrest granted in an action for a debt of $500, alleged to be fraudulently contracted. The defendants obtained the money from the plaintiff on representation that they were about to use it in establishing a legitimate commis-sion business. They failed to establish the busi-ness, and subsequently stated that they had no in-tention so to do. The defendants, on demand, re-fused to return plaintiff the money advanced, but prevailed on him to accept a note of theirs in lieu of hand, failing to pay which action was brought thereon, and order of arrest issued on the ground that the debt was fraudulently contracted.

After argument, Judge BARBOUR, in intimat-ing his intention to vacate the order of ar-rest, stated his reasons as follows: "The representa-tions made by the defendants were clearly promissory to be performed in future, yet the subsequent declar-ations of the defendants tended to show an original intent to defraud. But the defendants might be more properly regarded as adding the plaintiff's money in a fiduciary capacity, to be applied to cer-tain uses, and having misappropriated the plain-tiff could on those grounds obtain order of arrest, but whatever might have been the plaintiff's rights in this respect, under either aspect of the case, he, with a full knowledge of his rights, (as he must be assumed to have had,) elected to accept the de-fendants' note of hand, and thereby waived all rights which he might have, and growing out of the de-fendants' tort. Decision reserved.

Genet & Peet for plaintiff; De Witt Clinton Brown for defendants.

COMMON PLEAS—SPECIAL TERM—JAN. 6.

Before Judge Brady.

The People, &c., in rel. Philip Metz.—The petitioner was arrested on an affidavit charging him on information and belief with having stolen prop-erty from the arsenal of which he was armorer. His counsel sued out a writ of habeas corpus, and asked for the prisoner's discharge on the ground that, it appearing in the affidavit that some party or-iginating having personal knowledge of the larceny, the affidavit of another party, merely on information and belief, was insufficient to warrant a commitment.

It was held by the Court that the papers showing probable cause must be deemed sufficient, and refused to discharge the prisoner. Counsel for the petitioner then filed a traverse to the return, to be argued at a future day.

Florence Leary for the petitioner; Mr. Blunt for the People, &c.

COURT NOTES.

It is contemplated to add three additional officers in the General Term, Common Pleas, held in Part 2, to hold immediately after the presiding Judges on the bench when it rains.

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—JAN. 6.

By Judge Ingraham.

Kleinknecht vs. John Runk; motion granted unless defendant appears and submits to examina-tion on the 12th of January, at 10 A. M., and pays $10 costs of motion.

Lake vs. Sparge et al.; reference ordered.

Mary E. Foss vs. Samuel W. Foss; reference or-dered.

Anna Rudolph vs. Henry Rudolph; reference or-dered.

In re the Metropolitan Board of Health vs. Thad-deus H. Lane, Justice, &c.; motion granted directing the Justice to try and decide the cause.

Howell et al. vs. Cuff; motion denied with leave to renew on further affidavits.

Wynkoop vs. Murray; motion denied.

In re the petition of Mary Cochran, &c., for leave to sell real estate; order granted confirming report.

Howson et al. vs. Donnelly; motion granted.

Wm. Hall vs. Upright; motion granted.

Hymn vs. The Etna Live Stock Insurance Com-pany, &c.; motion granted.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—JAN. 6.

By Judge Barbour.

Louis Burger vs. John L. Green—Motion granted with $5 costs.

Jesse B. Lang vs. Peter F. Clarke—Motion granted with costs.

Edward E. Olin et al. vs. Wm. G. Clark et al.—Mo-tion granted without costs.

Henry S. Bennet vs. Benj. F. Wardwell—Motion granted.

Isaac Griggs et al. vs. John Morrisey, President, &c.—Motion granted.

In the matter, &c., of Charles Barclay to be dis-charged from custody—Writ discharged and prisoner remanded.

Joseph R. Lement vs. Adele Joubert; motion to vacate judgment denied, with $10 costs.

William K. Gourie vs. E. Linde; motion granted.

Jacob Siebert vs. Simeon Leland, two cases; mo-tions denied with $10 costs in each case.

By Judge McCunn.

Andrew L. Ireland vs. William H. Nichols; motion granted.

Maria Busch vs. Wm. Dunkaupt; motion granted reducing bail to $500.

Mary J. Tucker et al. vs. John Meeks et al.; extra allowance of $750 granted.

William Leighton vs. The Broadway and Seventh-avenue Railroad Company; "I find I cannot change the case as settled."

By Judge Fithian.

Wm. Johnson vs. Mary Johnson; report of referee confirmed and judgment of divorce granted.

George Guger vs. Daniel O'Connell; motion de-nied with $10 costs.

Seymour N. Walsh et al. vs. Erasmus D. Hudson et al.; motion granted in part.

By Judge Jones.

David Winebrener vs. Frederick Johnson et al.; injunction denied with $10 costs, and temporary stay vacated.

MONETARY AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—JAN. 6, 1869.

$16,000 U. S. 6s, '81, R.	109¼	100 West. U. T.	34
$5,000 U. S. 6s, '81, C.	111¼	200 do	34¼
2,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '64	106	87 do	34½
2,000 U. S. 5s, 10 C.	107	100 Quick. Min. Co.	2¾
2,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '65	106¾	100 Pacific Mail	115¾
6,000 U. S. 5-20 C.	107	100 do	115
20 Nat. Park Bank	125	100 Wells, Fargo Ex.	62
5,000 do	107¾	50 Adams Ex.	61
20,000 do	107¾	100 N. Y. Cent.	126¾
4,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '65	107	200 do	126¾
10,000 do	108¼	100 do	126¾
11,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '65 c	108¼	100 do	126¾
10,000 do	108¼	100 do	126¾
10,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '65, new	107¼	100 do	126¾
15,000 U. S. 5-20 R. '66, new	107¼	100 Erie	39¾
25,000 do	107¼	200 do	39¾
10,000 do	107¼	100 do	39¾
1,000 U. S. 5-20 R., '67	107¼	100 Erie Pf.	63¾
10,000 do	107¼	200 Chi. & N. W.	91¾
24,000 U. S. 5-20 C., '67	107¾	200 Chi. & N. W. Pf.	85¾
22,000 do	107¾	200 Mich. So.	90
115,000 do	107¾	200 do	90¾
4,000 do	107¾	200 do	90¾
40,000 do	108	100 do	90¾
20,000 U. S. 10-40 C., '65	106¾	100 do	90¾
25,000 U. S. 6s, Cur.	109¾	100 Ill. Cen.	141¾
20,000 Tenn. 6s, old	68¾	100 do	141¾
2,000 N. Car. 6s, new	62¾	200 T., W. & W.	41¾
5,000 do	62¾	200 T., W. & W. Pf.	71¾
5,000 do	62¾	60 Mil. & St. P.	79
1,000 Georgia State 6s, ex-int.	78¾	bos sail	80¾
		200 Ohio & Miss.	34¾
		100 do	34¾

OPEN BOARD—10 A. M.

100 Wells-Fargo Ex.	62¾	300 Pittsburg	94¾
100 Canton Co.	59	300 Mich. So. & N. I.	90¾
600 Pac. Mail	115¾	100 do	90¾
300 West. U. T.	34	200 do	90¾
200 N. Y. Central	126¾	200 do	90¾
100 do	126¾	200 do	90¾
200 do	126¾	200 do	90¾
200 do	126¾	200 do	90¾
200 do	126¾	200 do	90¾
200 Erie	39¾	200 do	90¾
200 do	39¾	200 Rock Island	110¾
100 do	39¾	100 do	110¾
100 do	39¾	100 do	110¾
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100 do	39¾	100 do	110¾
100 Erie Pf.	63¾	100 do	110¾
200 Reading	93¾	100 do	110¾
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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The war news from Paraguay is unimportant. The United States Minister to Paraguay, Mr. McMAHON, had an interview recently with Gen. LOPEZ, who promised full reparation for the outrages committed against the American flag.

Formidable Republican demonstrations have recently taken place in various cities in Spain. In one, the insurgents endeavored to seize the arms and ammunition in the arsenals, but were prevented. A Government force was sent to the scene, and the arms were removed to Cadiz. The siege of Madrid has been raised by a proclamation. Gen. PRIM announces that the volunteers are not to be disarmed.

More disturbances are reported in Italy, on account of the collection of taxes. Gen. GARIBOLDI has been sent to Parma, to restore order in that city.

The British ship *Southern Empire*, Capt. DUNLAP, is reported to have been lost at sea on the 20th of December. She foundered in a heavy gale and all her crew was lost. She was *en route* from New-Orleans to Liverpool with a cargo of cotton.

CHINA.

Intelligence from China, received in this City yesterday, is to the effect that three British war vessels recently reached Nankin, and the British Consul forthwith demanded of the Chinese officials reparation for the insult offered the missionaries at Yang Chow recently. The officials endeavored to procrastinate, when they were informed that unless they returned a satisfactory answer by 6 o'clock of that day the Consul would seize a Chinese war vessel then lying at anchor at Nankin. The demands were at once complied with. Three hundred men were to be sent at once to Yang Chow to degrade and punish the Chinese officers who permitted the insult. The first Protestant Church in Central China was dedicated in Hankow, by the Bishop of Victoria, on the 7th of November.

CONGRESS.

Several communications from the heads of departments were presented to the Senate yesterday, and referred to Committees. A number of petitions and resolutions of inquiry were also referred to Committees. The bill providing for an air-line railroad from Washington to New-York was taken up. Mr. SHERMAN made a lengthy argument in its favor, after which its further consideration was postponed until Monday. The bill for the relief of SAM MUSPRAT, of Alabama, for property taken by our army during the war was taken up, and a lengthy debate ensued. Without taking action on the bill the Senate adjourned.

In the House, after a brief discussion, the bill relieving JOHN S. STOKES, of Alabama, of his legal and political disabilities was passed. A resolution was agreed to asking the Secretary of the Treasury to report why the offices of Superintendents of Exports and Drawbacks in New-York, Boston and Philadelphia, had not been discontinued, as required by law. At the request of the Chairman of the Select Committee, now investigating the recent election frauds in New-York, it was ordered that the testimony taken be printed as soon as written out. The Committee on Appropriations reported the bill making appropriations for the navy for the year ending June 30, 1870. It appropriates $15,273,672, or $2,091,573 less than the amount required for the current year. The House went into Committee of the Whole and took up the Pension Appropriation bill, which appropriates $13,230,000. Mr. WASHBURNE, of Illinois, Chairman of the Appropriation Committee, made a lengthy speech, reviewing the financial condition of the country and indicating some places where retrenchment might be made. The bill was reported to the House and passed. The Consular and Diplomatic Appropriation bill was taken up. Mr. BROOKS moved to insert an appropriation for the support of a Mission at Rome. After some debate the amendment was rejected. After the rejection of other amendments offered the bill was reported to the House, and its further consideration postponed until Monday. The Secretary of the Treasury was directed to furnish a statement of the sales of gold by the Treasury since Jan. 1, 1863, after which the House adjourned.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

In the Senate a large number of bills and petitions were presented and referred. On motion of Senator BEACH, his resolution directing the Railroad Committee to investigate the circumstances connected with the issue of stock by the Hudson River and Central Railroads, and to report what action is necessary to protect *bona fide* stockholders, was taken from the table and passed, the Committee being instructed to report within thirty days. The Senate then adjourned.

The Speaker of the House presented the reports of the various Boards of the Metropolitan District. A resolution asking for a committee of five to investigate the recent issue of Hudson River and Central Railroad stock, gave rise to some debate and was tabled. Mr. MACFARLAN introduced a bill to amend the Excise law, vesting in the Mayors of New-York and Brooklyn the power to grant licenses to retail liquor dealers. A number of petitions and resolutions were presented and the House adjourned.

GENERAL.

According to reports from Cardenas the insurrection in Cuba is dying out. The sugar crop promises well, but a sufficient number of hands cannot be obtained to gather it. The negroes of Havana yesterday celebrated "King's Day" with customary festivities. Two murders were committed during the day by negroes. An officer of the Spanish army killed Señor TIRSO VÁZQUEZ, a Cuban, in the streets of Havana yesterday. They were engaged in a quarrel, when the officer ran his sword through the body of his adversary. The murderer was promptly arrested.

The Joint Republican caucus of the Pennsylvania Legislature yesterday nominated JOHN SCOTT, of Huntingdon, for United States Senator. The Legislature has adjourned to Tuesday next. JAMES A. BAYARD, it is said, will be elected Senator from Delaware for the remainder of the term of the late Senator BUCKALEW. He is now serving in that position by appointment. His son, THOMAS F. BAYARD, is at present the favorite candidate for the full term, the election for which will take place on Tuesday next. Lieut.-Gov. CUMBACK, of Indiana, it is reported, will be chosen United States Senator from that State. Hon. E. CRAMPTON, of Michigan, has been renominated for United States Senator from that State by the Republican Legislative caucus.

The message of the Governor of Kentucky, sent to the Legislature on Friday, is a paper devoted almost exclusively to State purposes. It virtually eschews national politics, and suggests views and plans for the purpose of developing the resources of the State, especially its mineral wealth, and inviting to its borders an industrious and working population. He simply alludes to President GRANT by the assurance of a cordial support in all his efforts to restore and unite the Government under the Constitution, and thus produce a lasting and harmonious peace.

The meeting of the owners of the through line from Washington to New-York, held in Baltimore on Monday and Tuesday, it is stated was for the purpose of completing and perfecting arrangements in reference to new equipment for the present line, its improvement and the thorough accommodation of the travel; and not for consultation with reference to Senator SHERMAN's Air-line bill, now before Congress.

The writ in the suit of Mr. RICHARD H. DANA, Jr., vs. the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Cambridge, Mass., for depriving him of the use of his right to vote in the last national election, was entered in the Superior Court at Boston on Tuesday, and his declaration was filed. The trial will probably take place at the April Term.

The canons for the nomination of a United States Senator from Minnesota is to be held at St. Paul on the 14th inst. Mr. WILKINSON's friends are hopeful, but Mr. RAMSEY's supporters deem his reélection certain.

A white man named WILLIAM O. MARKHAM, living at Colesville, N. Y., concealed himself in his own house yesterday and deliberately shot and killed a negro named BROCK who was passing in the street. No reason for the murder is given.

A fire in Indianapolis, Ind., on Tuesday night, destroyed the stores of A. C. BRACKENRIDGE & Co., dealers in agricultural implements, and ADPRESS & BROS., grocers. The loss will amount to about $10,000; partially insured.

A summary of all the evidence given at the United States Court, before Commissioner OWENS, charging DAVID LEICHENREIN, a former Internal Revenue Inspector, with receiving 30,000 valuable cigars and a check for $100 to settle a complaint made against OSCAR HOYE, appears in the TIMES this morning. The case has been adjourned until Saturday next.

Last evening Prof. E. N. HORSFORD delivered the seventh lecture of a scientific course at Steinway Hall, Fourteenth-street, before the American Institute. The subject was "The Philosophy of the Oven." The discourse was interesting and instructive, and was well received by a large and appreciative audience.

Business in Produce and Merchandise was less active yesterday. Cotton was cheaper. Other than low grades of Flour were heavy and drooping; Wheat, Corn and Oats less buoyant; Pork and Lard again stronger in price. The freight market was quiet, with 420 vessels, of all classes, in port.

Freedom and Responsibility of the Public Press—The Pollard Murder.

We published a day or two since a detailed statement by Mr. J. M. HANNA, who was associated with Mr. H. RIVES POLLARD in the editorship of the Richmond *Public Opinion*, of the circumstances which led to the murder of the latter by young GRANT. This statement does not in the least change the character of the murder, or modify what must be the judgment of any sensible man in regard to it; but it does very considerably enhance our sense of the criminal nature of the act by which Mr. POLLARD provoked his own assassination.

It has been claimed in some quarters that Mr. POLLARD was shot for asserting the freedom of the Press, and that this freedom is threatened with destruction by such acts, if they are allowed to pass unpunished. So they are,—and so is every other kind of freedom,—and indeed everything else worth preserving in society. When one man may, for whatever cause or under whatever provocation, deliberately kill another, without being held responsible to the law, and suffering such penalty as the law fairly administered would inflict, there is an end of everything like regulated, civilized society. The community in which such a thing is possible is controlled by the passions of its people, not by their reason embodied in settled law; and this is what constitutes a *savage* state. And it is idle and absurd to talk of the freedom of the *Press* in any such connection. One might as well complain that the freedom of the Press is threatened or impaired in the Cannibal Islands or by the habits of the Digger Indians. Where the law secures nothing,—neither property nor life,—it can scarcely be expected to secure freedom of the Press.

It seems that Mr. POLLARD heard at the hotel a report that a young lady belonging to a respectable family of Richmond had eloped, and requested Mr. HANNA to find out all he could about it, and embody the whole in a sharp and spicy article. To the intimation that the names of the parties ought to be suppressed, he replied "No, *my* name is not suppressed by the newspapers when I get into trouble; put the names in, in full. I am responsible." The report of the alleged elopement became generally current, and, of course, was constantly exaggerated. A friend of the family called on Mr. POLLARD, and, learning from him what he intended to publish about it, tried to induce him to forego his purpose, assuring him the report was untrue, giving him a statement of the facts out of which the report had grown, and offering to make any compensation which Mr. POLLARD might require for the suppression of the publication,—proposing finally to fill the space, which the article would occupy, with an advertisement and pay for it. Of a subsequent interview, Mr. HANNA says:

"Late on Thursday evening there was another interview between the gentleman representing the GRANT family and Mr. POLLARD, in the presence of the writer. The conversation again, as before, hinged on the possibility of compelling the publication. The intermediator at last, rising with impatience, said with emphasis, 'Mr. POLLARD, is there no way by which this can be prevented?' 'I am a friend of the family, am acting as such, and do assure you, upon the honor of a gentleman, that the reports concerning its members are false—utterly false.' Mr. POLLARD, rising, walked the floor of his sanctum, then resumed his seat and replied: 'As for any pecuniary considerations that may be offered me, that is purely a matter of business. I publish my paper to sell. If Mr. Grant, or you, as his representative, wish to purchase this edition of my paper, I will sell it to you; or I will sell a half interest in my paper, or I will sell it entire; for I have wished for some time to form another newspaper association in New-York City. But as for selling my principle, that I will never do; there is not money enough to buy me.' The gentleman remained silent, and Mr. POLLARD resumed: 'Or, if I publish this article, this I am willing to do; I will open my columns to Mr. GRANT, and I will print line for line and word for word whatever he may write in contradiction of the article.'"

Subsequently the article itself was shown to the gentleman in question, who said "it was not so bad as he expected," but that there was nevertheless "not one word of truth in the whole of it." Mr. POLLARD, in reply, referred to the reports that were current about it, and said he "felt justified in publishing the article." He did so, with the result known.

It is to be noted that—

1. This was purely a private matter, which involved no public interest whatever, no question of public policy, no matter of public concern—it involved only the peace of a private family, and the reputation of a young lady who was a member of it.

2. The article was not one of opinion, but embodied mere reports and rumors for which nobody was responsible, till Mr. POLLARD made himself responsible, by indorsing and asserting them as facts, which he did in face of the solemn assurance of a gentleman, who knew all about the matter, that they were not facts, but falsehoods.

3. Mr. POLLARD asserted his intention to print the article, as a matter "of principle." The only "principle" involved was the right to print any attack on private character,—of man or woman,—true or false, which he might *choose* to print. After it was printed the party aggrieved might buy the whole edition of his paper and so suppress the slander, if he chose, as Mr. POLLARD "printed his paper to sell." Under the same "principle" Mr. P. could of course reprint the article in every successive issue of his paper and compel his victim to buy the whole edition of every number, as his only condition of safety. If this is not plain, barefaced "black-mail," then we know not what would be; and how it differs in "principle" from highway robbery, where one holds a pistol to another's head and demands his money as the price of his life, we fail to see.

All this does not make GRANT's offence in shooting POLLARD anything less than murder; and the manner in which he did it proves him to be, not merely a murderer, but a cowardly assassin. But POLLARD's conduct was exceedingly base; and we object to any attempt to justify or extenuate it, under pretended regard for the freedom of the Press.

The Press needs freedom for the just and useful discussion of public questions,—of events, and of the public character of public men and of their private character so far as that may affect their public acts. And this freedom is secured to the Press by the law, by juries and by public opinion. But the Press does not need, nor ask, for freedom to attack *private character*, or to put in print and publish to the world, the scandals and rumors that float in certain circles of society. The journalist who claims such freedom as a means of "selling his paper," confesses himself by that very claim to be reckless of honor and of principle,—a mere depredator on society, who lives on what he can extort from the fears or the pride of those whom he may select for his victims. And the journalist who demands such a freedom for the Press at large, under the belief that it is essential to its usefulness within its proper sphere, mistakes greatly the duties and responsibilities of his own profession, while he degrades its character and makes it a scourge and a curse to the community where it exists.

The Press in this country has all the freedom which its own good requires, or which is consistent with the order and peace of society. The law of libel is not marked by undue severity, nor is it administered with unjust rigor, as a general thing, so far as we are aware, in any State of the Union. Editors, even those who are most careful and conscientious in the supervision of their issues, will sometimes be put to inconvenience by libel suits or indictments; but this is an evil which they can very well endure in view of the fact that it involves results far less serious than would follow any such relaxation of the law as editors of Mr. POLLARD's stamp practically claim.

The Darien Canal.

The attention of the world has once more been drawn by Mr. CUSHING's mission to that narrow neck of land which joins North and South America, and which one never sees on the map without feeling it is there to be cut through. To aid the guillotining of that tempting neck, in the interests of American commerce, is the object of Mr. CUSHING's journey. That the result of his negotiations with the Government of New-Granada will be the concession to the United States of a right of way to build an interoceanic canal, can be confidently anticipated. As to the rest, it may be laid down as a safe proposition that, great as are the difficulties in constructing a canal across the Isthmus, there are none to which the existing devices of modern engineering are not fully adequate.

To this stupendous engineering feat, compared with which even the Suez Canal dwindles in magnitude, none of the petty States contiguous to the Isthmus ever dreamt, of course, of addressing themselves. More than one commercial European Power has, however, carefully watched and weighed it. Everybody will recall the uneasiness with which in our country the surveys and experiments of English engineers, many years ago, were observed; and still fresher in memory is the outcry of indignation wherewith the French occupation of Mexico was instinctively connected by our people with this same grand problem. Often postponed,—now by more pressing schemes of internal policy, now by political difficulties, anon by the war, and always by the prodigious character of the undertaking, this magnificent enterprise has yet never been lost sight of by Americans. What it means is no less than the grand highway of commerce between Asia and the rest of the world, and as such it was felt that it must be built by American capital, under American auspices, and established forever under American control. The proper time for the task has now apparently come, and the sudden and vast increase of trans-Pacific trade demands that it be pushed forward without delay.

In another column a correspondent sets forth what has already been done and what remains to do to open this grand conduit of commerce. He shows that the various and shifting lines proposed in former years have now been reduced to two routes, either of which is, by the testimony of able engineers, perfectly feasible. One of these routes runs from the Gulf of San Miguel to Caledonia Bay, the other from the Bayano River to the Gulf of San Blas. The latter, whose total length is thirty miles, embraces the audacious feature of a tunnel through the Cordilleras (to which that under Mount Cenis is trivial) seven miles long, 100 feet wide and 115 feet high, through which, of course, the largest man-of-war could be made to pass. A tidal lock and an aqueduct over the Mamoni River are also embraced in the plan. The rude estimate of the total cost of construction is $65,000,000.

It is to secure the privilege of further surveys, and a final right of way, that Mr. CUSHING is now dispatched by the Department of State to New-Granada. Should his mission be satisfactory, a strong company of New-York capitalists and engineers stands ready to begin the grand enterprise of an interoceanic ship canal—an enterprise which, if brought to a successful issue, will stand unmatched even in modern engineering science.

The Twelfth-street Murder.

We are surprised that the Police authorities, having thus far failed in getting hold of the murderers of Mr. ROGERS, should not have procured the offer of a much larger reward for their arrest. When Mayor HALL sent to them for information on the subject, they replied that no action on his part was necessary, as they had offered a reward of $1,000.

We have no doubt that the offer of a very large reward would go a great way toward a revelation of the facts of this horrible mystery. The man guilty of the actual deed of murder is still at large, and his accomplice is still at large; and nothing has been found out about either of them—unless indeed the individual who surrendered himself because he thought he was an object of suspicion, shall be able to furnish some clue which will lead to the authors of the crime.

We have no doubt that *at least half a dozen persons in the City—the associates, relatives and friends of the assassins—are aware of the facts*, and could put the Police in possession of information that would lead to the discovery of the perpetrators of this, one of the most alarming of all the recent murders that have shocked the City.

We have no doubt that a reward of *ten thousand* or of *twenty thousand dollars* would be sure to induce some one of those who are very certainly cognizant of the perpetrators of the crime to communicate the facts, or put the Police on the scent of the culprits.

We urge those concerned to make an offer of this kind. And the whole community is concerned. No life can be considered safe if assassins are allowed to carry on their work in this City as they have done during the past year; and especially if the cold-blooded assassins of a respectable citizen, in open daylight, in a leading street in the heart of the City, are allowed to escape with impunity.

We, therefore, urge the public, and especially the more wealthy members of the community, to take the matter in hand. If the Police authorities and the Municipal authorities, fail to do their duty,—if the murderers of Mr. ROGERS are not by this time in the hands of the Police,—a dozen or twenty of our leading citizens should unite in the offer of a reward of *twenty thousand dollars* for their arrest. Some such step should be taken in behalf of the community, and in the interest of each of its members.

And when caught, let the murderers be promptly tried, speedily convicted, and quickly hung.

It is disgraceful to witness the imbecility of those who ought to be on the alert, night and day, to secure the arrest of these murderers. We suppose it is hoped that the excitement about it will soon blow over, and the whole affair will soon be forgotten. There is too much likelihood of this. There is too much danger of it. But who will then be the next victim of the assassin? Who can tell?

Clerk of the Board of Education.

The Board of Education is to elect its Clerk for the coming year next Wednesday evening. As we have already stated, there are two candidates for the place, Mr. BOSSE, who has served in that capacity since 1858, with ability, fairness and unquestioned uprightness, and Mr. HITCHMAN, who is brought forward by a portion of the representatives of the Democratic Party.

The *World* does not hesitate to allege that Mr. HITCHMAN is the candidate of the "Ring," and that the effort to elect him in place of Mr. BOSSE is simply an attempt to eject an officer who has been too honest and firm to be made their tool, and to put in his place one who will do, or suffer anything to be done, which the corrupt combination in question may demand at his hands. As both the candidates are Democrats, we regard the *World* as good authority on the subject of their rival claims. We presume its explanation of the objects of the movement to put Mr. HITCHMAN in Mr. BOSSE's place is correct; and that journal is certainly entitled to great credit and to the public gratitude for the vigor and earnestness with which it resists the scheme.

Those who have watched the course of events are aware that it has been a favorite project of the "Ring," for some time past, to get as absolute control of the Board of Education, and of its very large disbursements, as they have of those in every other department of the City Government. This object has been openly proclaimed more than once by representatives and agents of the "Ring;"—and it is but a few months since that a direct attempt was made to introduce into the schools the same system which is so rigidly acted upon elsewhere, of levying upon the *teachers* for a percentage on their salaries for the benefit of those who have the power to deprive them of their positions. The attempt was only partially successful; but until that principle is recognized, and every one holding an appointment under members of the Board responds to calls of this sort, and concedes the duty of paying for his place, the effort to get control of the Board will not be abandoned.

Mr. BOSSE has been vigorous, firm and uncompromising in his hostility to everything of this kind; and in this way he has incurred the opposition of those who are at the bottom of the movement. We trust the Board has too just an estimate of his services, and of the real interests of the school system in our City, to warrant any serious apprehensions that the scheme will succeed. The Board must be kept out of party complications of all kinds, and must not become either the tool or the agent of the corrupt combinations which afflict all political parties, if our system of schools is to be kept up.

Mr. Gladstone at Greenwich.

Mr. GLADSTONE, Prime Minister of Great Britain, and member of Parliament for Greenwich, addressed his constituents on the occasion of his reélection, after acceptance of office. The weather, we are told, was gloomy, but waving of hats, cheering, and musical performances, together with the natural delight which he must have experienced at finding once more a rest for the sole of his foot, after all his representative wanderings to and fro, seem to have had a most exhilarating effect on the orator. In a speech of nearly an hour's duration, terminating with a sentence composed of no less than two hundred and sixty words, and interspersed in the newspaper reports with "loud cheers," "loud laughter," and "laughter and cheers" every half dozen lines, Mr. GLADSTONE thanked his new constituents for the "unprecedented kindness" which he had received at their hands, and gave utterance to a jubilant shout of triumph over his vanquished foes. For the first time since his expulsion from power three years ago, Mr. GLADSTONE was actually good-humored and even facetious. Instead of holding Mr. DISRAELI up to public execration and scorn as a hypocrite, traitor, and unscrupulous adventurer, he simply made mild fun of the precipitate retreat of his opponent as soon as the general result of the elections became known. The Tory Ministry "melted away, in the words of our greatest poet, 'like a mockery thing of snow.'" If found unfaithful to his trust, he only hoped he should be as summarily dismissed from the public service as "somebody else" had recently been. "Somebody else" will probably have "something else" to say on the subject when Parliament reassembles; but, in the meantime, Mr. GLADSTONE has an unquestionable right to "chaff" his vanquished adversaries to his heart's content, in whatever style he chooses. It is not that which he would have adopted in addressing an assemblage of Oxford "double-firsts," or of Lancashire merchant princes, but he evidently feels the different character of the electoral atmosphere which now surrounds him.

For the rest, Mr. GLADSTONE naturally adopted a somewhat graver tone when treating of the momentous issues before the country, for the raising of which he himself is mainly responsible, and which in a few weeks he will be called upon to face in the capacity of chief Minister of the Crown. On these matters, even, his tone was scarcely that which would pass current within the walls of St. Stephen's as "Parliamentary," but it was certainly free from that intense bitterness which characterized his stump speeches throughout his electioneering campaign in Lancashire. He criticized the administration of the Tories in every department pretty severely, it is true, but he would have been false to his colors if he had not. He reprobated the increased expenditure which the country had been called upon to defray during the Derby-Disraeli tenure of office, but he abstained from the disingenuous misrepresentations in which he dealt so freely during the heat of the electoral contest, and he further pledged himself, for the first time, that the estimates which it would be the duty of himself and his colleagues to present in February, should give evidence of their good faith and earnestness in laboring to effect retrenchment in every department.

With regard to the great question of the day, Mr. GLADSTONE said but little worthy of repetition. The main point he made was on the difference existing between the cases of the English and Irish branches of the Established Church, it being idle, he said, to weigh the two in the same scale—an assurance on his part which will probably go a good way to do away with the scruples of a large number of devoted Anglicans who shrink from heartily espousing the cause of justice to Ireland, through fear of the ultimate intentions of its champion. Altogether, this speech of the Liberal leader will probably advance his prospects materially—which can scarcely be said of the majority of his recent public oratorical manifestoes.

MINOR TOPICS.

During the past ten days failures to the extent of about four millions of dollars have occurred in this City, among jobbing and commission houses in the dry goods trade. Business in this line has been very dull for nearly two years; it has not paid. The recent failure of one of the largest dry goods houses was due to heavy losses through customers in the Northwestern States. There are apprehensions that a few other houses may be forced to succumb, but the leading dealers hope by rigid retrenchment to overcome present difficulties. No alarm is necessary, as we are informed on excellent authority.

The speech of Mr. WASHBURNE, yesterday, in the House, on the appropriations to be made by Congress, and the expenditures of the Government for the coming year, will be found among the proceedings of Congress this morning. It is well worthy of reading and thought.

Senator MORTON has written a second letter to Mr. GREELEY on the subject of resuming specie payments. It is brief, and contests but one or two of the positions of Mr. GREELEY. The subject is getting to be a little stale with general readers, for everybody feels bound to write upon it, and so the Press is overburdened with it. Senator MORTON's letter will be found in another column.

A Washington dispatch says:

"Supervisor DUTCHER has suspended Collector CALLAHAN, of the Ninth District of New-York, for corruption. The office has been put in charge of HENRY WOOD, brother of FERNANDO WOOD, Congressman from that District. *Callahan and Wood are both Democrats.*"

We should think so! FERNANDO WOOD procured CALLAHAN's appointment, in return for which CALLAHAN made WOOD's brother Deputy Collector, *dividing* with him the fees of the office. CALLAHAN probably knew as little about the duties of his office, and was as thoroughly incapable of performing them honestly, as any other man in the District, and this is saying a good deal. His evidence before the Retrenchment Committee, which we published lately, shows his calibre and character. But he knew how to secure Congressman WOOD's influence, and divide the fees with his brother. Possibly the two amounted to about the same thing. Now that the Deputy gets *all* the fees, perhaps the Congressman will concede that CALLAHAN deserved removal.

Wall-street seemed very much relieved toward the close of business hours yesterday by a notable relaxation in the Money line. Stocks were more confidently dealt in at stronger prices. In the Public Funds an unusually spirited movement occurred, leading to a sharp rally in values. Most of the great houses were free buyers, particularly of the later issues of the Five-Twenty bonds, the offerings of which perceptibly diminished. The mail orders from investors were quite extensive. The general market closed with an an upward tendency for all substantial properties. Gold and Exchange were firm but quiet.

Mr. KELLEY's bill, reported from the Committee on Naval Affairs, providing that the position of Chief of the Bureau of Steam Engineering may hereafter be filled by a civilian, is a very excellent one, and we hope Congress will make it a law. Had this liberty of choice existed at the creation of the office, and had advantage been taken of it, we might have been some millions of dollars richer in the Treasury, and enormously more efficient in our navy.

Congressmen are just now quite busy at the confessional—acknowledging how sinfully they have abused the franking privilege. Most of them have the grace to seem repentant and promise they will do so no more. Some, however, like Mr. LYNCH, of Maine, say it has been "usual" to frank political documents, speeches, newspapers, &c., and they intend to continue the practice. If we could as all count on the sense of justice in Congress, we should predict the speedy abolition of the whole thing. But as we can't, we don't.

We publish in another column a letter from President EWELL, of the "College of William and Mary," in Virginia, setting forth the condition of the institution and the grounds of the appeal made by its friends to the favor and aid of the people of the North. The buildings of the college were destroyed by the Union troops during the war, not only, in Gen. MEADE's opinion, without either necessity or authority, but merely as one of those useless acts of vandal violence which occur in all wars. Through the aid of some gentlemen in Washington, and of Messrs. A. T. STEWART, W. E. DODGE, A. BELMONT, ROBERT BONNER, and others in New York, a beginning was made last year of the work of rebuilding them. They are now more than half done, and may be ready for the opening of the next term, provided additional funds can be procured. The college is the oldest in the country, with the exception of Harvard, and its very great importance, especially to the tide-water region of Virginia, as well as the fact that many of the most distinguished men of the country have been educated within its walls, give it very strong claims to public attention and favor. President EWELL has received from Gen. GRANT, Chief Justice Chase, and other distinguished public men, assurances of a very warm interest in the object of his mission and expressions of their earnest hope that it may be successful.

Mayor HALL could not signalize his advent as Chief Magistrate of the City in a more acceptable manner than by inventing some means for ridding us of the distress consequent upon snow-clogged streets. We understand that he is at present considering how this may be done, and looks favorably upon a proposition which has been made to him by Mr. R. A. SMITH, the inventor of the street-sweeping machines which are extensively used in this and other cities for clearing the railroad tracks of snow. Mr. SMITH has invented a new machine for lifting and melting the snow, which may be considered of great importance if it will accomplish the work he has laid out for it. It is merely a portable furnace, in which certain chemical substances are to be consumed which will radiate a heat so intense that the snow must rapidly disappear and flow into the culverts. The plan seems feasible, and in the hands of a person of Mr. SMITH's large experience in street-cleaning, we are disposed to think it may prove practicable. With four of these furnaces Mr. SMITH asserts that he can, in the course of a single night, remove a fall of six or eight inches of snow from Broadway, provided he gets to work soon after the fall has ceased. If this can be done there will be wise economy, not only in clearing Broadway, but also in making the narrow business streets passable. We must in some manner supersede our present method of submitting to our Winter-long miseries. Art and invention must sooner or later overcome the slow processes of nature.

Yesterday was the *Jour des Rois*—a festival wholly unknown to our brief American calendar of holidays, but one whereof we now begin to have glimpses, through the influx of European population, who bring it, and generally keep it, with other souvenirs of the Old World. In French and German families we may see signs of the celebration, in the windows of French and German bakeries; we may view the "cake," around which clusters the great sport of the day. Should we go further, and share in the division of that cake, we might find therein, if ours were the lucky slice, an almond, or a bean, or, mayhap, a ring; and we should accordingly be crowned "King," (or Queen, as the case might be,) for the year to come; and whatever sports and pastimes would follow, and whatever honors would gather around our royal head, would depend on the degree to which, in our little circle, the observance of the *Jour des Rois* was carried.

Prof. DOREMUS, in his lecture at the College of New-York the other evening, expressed his surprise that the magnesium, electro-magnetic and other new and powerful lights do not replace the oil and gas in general use. The reason may be found in the dislike of practical people to go out of their way or risk anything for an experiment—a feeling shown in the case of almost every progressive human discovery. But if those magnesium and other lights show themselves good and easily available, after a time, they will be adopted, and then hold their ground in turn, when anything better is suggested. Let the theoretic *illuminati* get up their manufactory, and half their work will be done; they will have got their light "from under" the bushel—in spite of those "vested interests" which naturally make resistance against the innovations.

The English papers, both London and provincial, are full of comments on Mr. BRIGHT's elevation to the Cabinet, details of his interview with the Queen, and speculations as to the probable political bearing of the event. The main point dwelt upon, apparently with a certain amount of surprise, is his cordial reception by Her Majesty, and the marked compliments paid him by the Royal family. Herein, we fancy, is to be found the key to the whole affair, and an important one to the future course of events, as regards the attitude of the extreme Radical Party toward the monarchy. Mr. BRIGHT accepts office under what might be termed, in another sense of the phrase, "personal allegiance." He has always, while carefully abstaining from any open expression of approval of the monarchical principle, manifested the greatest personal loyalty to Queen VICTORIA, and has defended her in indignant language from personal attacks. What the effect on Mr. BRIGHT's relations with the Throne, and those

See FERNANDO WOOD's remarks at the conclusion of Mr. WASHBURNE's speech in Congress yesterday.

AMUSEMENTS.

Theatrical.

THE TAMMANY.

One of the strongest of the human inclinations is for ease. Some people may rejoice in ceremonious and dignified constraint, but all feel at times the irresistible charms of slipped comfort. Our European neighbors have always endeavored to satisfy this inclination in their popular amusements, and have arranged innumerable pleasure gardens and promenade exhibitions, where there is no chance to tire of a long performance and a cramped seat. But among native Americans such concerns have not found favor; most people (ladies particularly) go to theatres and concerts as they go to church, and would as soon be seen to leave their seats and walk about in one as in the other. In England and France, saloons, galleries and restaurants invite the patrons of theatres and the opera to increase their comfort and enlarge the pleasures of the evening, but in America our public places of amusement have only shining bar-rooms where men alone can refresh themselves, and then only standing like cattle at the stall. Besides this—Americans make it a business of theatre going; to be sought in a hurry and to be left in a hurry. A performance in New-York which commences at 8 o'clock and lasts longer than 10:30 is considered as an imposition on the good nature of its patrons. In England the entertainments usually begin at 7:30, and last four hours. This dislike for too large a measure of amusement for the money is extended even to a disinclination for anything more than the plain theatrical or operatic exhibition itself; Indian punkas to fan the heated heads of the public, and gushing fountains in the parquette to refresh the eyes of the public, have never been found an additional attraction at the Summer theatres; should any reckless manager attempt to make his patrons a present of ice-cream in the Summer months, the chances are that they would stay away from his feast. Nor is this a peculiarity of the higher class of visitors, for the humblest audiences in the humblest theatres love the fashionable idea of constraint, and refresh themselves—if at all—in their seats with a shamefaced consciousness of wrong doing.

The evils of cramped space and forced retention of one spot are not few nor trivial; it would be healthier for every one in a theatre to be able to get up at the end of each act, and walk about until the curtain rises again. It would not make any worse confusion than is now created by the frequent flight and return of the mauvaises who run out and in on such occasions, and would greatly oblige the fair sex, who cannot now follow their example without remark. We have always contended for the advantages that would flow from the introduction in this country of a respectable class of amusements which would combine absolute freedom with the customary enjoyment of the stage. "The Tammany," which Messrs. JARRETT & PALMER have just opened to the public, is a step in the right direction, whether it come up to the best standard or not. It comprises in one building two theatres; a minor hall where stereopticon views and a Punch and Judy show are to be enjoyed over a cigar or any other exhilerant, and a grand saloon, where a varied entertainment is presented—any part of which may be omitted one night and witnessed another without inconvenience; a supper room for ladies; a smoking-room, lounge and reading-room for gentlemen; and the inevitable bar for those heroes who cannot pass an evening without strong drinks.

A striking defect in The Tammany is apparent at the entrance to the structure; a long flight of steps must be ascended, in full view of the loungers at the front doors, in order to reach the supper-rooms, and another flight of steps with two turnings must be ascended to reach the grand theatre. Long ascensions of this kind are not in favor with our people. It would have been better to locate the grand theatre below, and the supper-rooms, bar, &c., above it; thus, in case of any accident, the egress would not be so difficult nor so much delayed. This one objection passed, all the rest seems to have been arranged for the comfort and convenience of the public.

On the opening night and last evening the vast crowd that flocked to the new place of amusement was attracted by curiosity, and gratified

THE DARIEN CANAL.

The Isthmus of Darien Interoceanic Canal—Survey of the Route—Feasibility and Importance of the Work—Statistics Showing Its Success.

NEW-YORK, Sunday, Jan. 6, 1869.

The commercial advantages of an artificial water communication between the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, across the Isthmus of Darien, are so obvious as to be regarded as a matter of course. They have already been so often canvassed, and are so well understood by all civilized nations, that any effort to prove their existence or value would be regarded as the most useless of tasks. The benefits that would accrue to mankind by the same saving of time resulting from such communication may be regarded as the infinite, while its commercial value is as the ocean compared with the lowest possible estimate, would naturally be equal to the entire cost of the work.

That the project is entirely practicable will probably not be disputed in this enlightened age of Knowledge, and in view of the enormous works of engineering skill that already have been achieved at the expense of scientific exertion and skill, the Mexican Cordillera, the Great Desert, the Sierra Nevada, the Alps, the Mont Cenis, are sufficient in themselves to prove that a canal connecting the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans is not only altogether practicable, in its relations of time, cost and distance, but that the interests of commerce and intercourse between the peoples of the habitable globe are demanding its immediate, if not its instant, prosecution. Surveys have been made for the purpose of determining the most feasible route, several paths have been suggested, surveyed and abandoned, while others still claim the attention of scientific men and political economists. Not less than a score of routes, from one ocean to the other, have at various times been the subject of discussion, until finally those who have given the matter the most careful study seem to be convinced that one of two routes, namely, that from the Gulf of San Miguel to California Bay, or that from the Bayano River to the Gulf of the Mina, will ultimately prove the most advantageous and feasible.

The survey of these routes of communication has never been instrumentally surveyed, but the knowledge that has been obtained, based upon the evidence of competent and trustworthy men, is such as to warrant any expense that might be thought fit for a thorough survey. The latter route was accurately surveyed and mapped in 1854, under the direction of Professor H. Kelsey, of this City, who having made seven surveys at his own expense, has probably added more to our knowledge of the subject and done more to aid in the solution of this vast commercial and political problem than any man living.

The easy and profile of this route, when accompanied by the admirable report of Mr. Charles H. Davis, plotted the entire length of a thin map, across the Isthmus, from the mouth of the Bayano River to the Gulf of San Blas, at a little more than thirty miles. Starting from the Pacific side the line of communication is almost dead level. In the Bayano valley, which lies in a direct line, in the opposite coast the ordinary rise of tide is only five and a half feet. The harbor on the North is spacious and deep; that on the South is very deep and safe. The most striking account of Mr. Kelsey's plan is a section through the Cordilleras, which rises to a height 300 feet wide and 170 feet high, which would be amply sufficient to allow the passage of a ship-of-war, of the first rate, with her topmast and topgallant-masts, struck and her yards manned, while steamers, of course, pass without difficulty. The lock, one of the proposed canal, is 25 feet below high tide on the Pacific, and the mean depth of water is 30 feet. The following is a table of distances:

	Miles.
From the Bay of Chepillo to Panoto (Bayano)	10.141
From Panoto to the Tunnel	2.266
Length of Tunnel	7.000
From the Tunnel to San Blas	8.073
Total length of Canal	25.500

The plan contemplates a tidal lock across the great Dike in the Bayano River, near Chepo, and probably an aqueduct over the Mamoni River, a few miles above its junction with the Bayano. Mr. Kelsey's estimate of the cost of this work are only $25,000, but if they were twice as high the work would doubtfully pay for itself every year.

The Darien route, as proposed, commences at some point in Caledonia Bay, on the Atlantic, and terminating in a southwesterly direction a distance of [illegible] miles, terminates in the Gulf of San Miguel, on the Pacific. Here there are good harbors on both sides of the line, soundings well adaptable to every purpose. This route was first suggested by Lieut. Cornell, in his report, which, however, without incorporating any very unauthentic information, was very unsatisfactory and very doubtful. It was partially surveyed sometime afterward by Mr. Lloyd, Secretary of the London Institution of Civil Engineers, who proposed upon the practicability of the scheme, and reported favorably of the capabilities of Port Pinsons and Caledonia Bay, and also of the entrance into Darien Harbor from the side of San Miguel, by the Tuira Pass. He proceeded following the Savannah River and its tributary, the Lara, and thence cutting a canal over the summit level, which he estimated at only one hundred and thirty feet in the Caledonia River—that cutting which, he assumed, either with or without locks. This estimate, however, to be some doubt as regard to the height of the summit, as Col. Talvoye, in 1855, passed back after reaching an altitude of 1,000 feet, and even then discovered no indication that the highest point had been attained. This question is not definitely settled in no manner, nor, by a survey with gentle deliberation, which, although slow or complete, has never been completed. The difference in the height of the line of the two alternatives of this route, substantially the value of an open cut without locks. The best authorities on the subject represent that at Chiquito, eight or nine miles above the mouth of the Savannah River, the tide ebbs from twenty-five to thirty feet, while there is a rise of only two feet to the Atlantic on the opposite coast, but the mean tide level is the same in both oceans. This fact may be regarded as conclusively proven, notwithstanding the difference of opinion formerly entertained among distinguished authorities.

Public attention now centers in the Atrato Pass and Isthmus. There can be no doubt among patriotic Americans that the highway between the eastern and western shores of Europe on the one hand, and Asia on the other, across the American Isthmus, should be built under the auspices and patronage of the Government of the United States. It could be not only a work of stupendous magnitude in a commercial sense, but, like a magnificent monument of power, from a political point of view, not less in value of the Monroe doctrine, which, in any mode or to a country external, sent at the policy of this Government, then it was to prevent the French Emperor from obtaining a foothold in Mexico.

In the Winter of 1866, through the exertions of Mr. John Corbett, of California, who takes the liveliest interest in the enterprise, a bill was introduced in the Senate of the United States, and both Houses, Congress appropriated $40,000 for the purpose of making a Government survey which would at once verify the [illegible] of the Chorrillo to Panoto (Bayano) [illegible]

TELEGRAMS.

THE EASTERN QUESTION.

Text of the Turkish Ultimatum to Greece.

The following is the text of the ultimatum addressed to the Greek Government by the Turkish Minister at Athens:

DECEMBER 18, 1868.

The Cabinet of Athens gives ever more evidence of a necessity to submit to policy of our amicably tendered counsels, and to cease to feed the fanaticism of the Hellenic people with the idea of a Turkish [illegible] the Greek Government, for the [illegible] of which the Porte has given proof in deed of the attitude assumed toward it by the Greek administration for the last three years, and particularly concerning publicity and under the eye of the Greek authorities by committees sitting in the capital of the kingdom itself, with the object of humiliating and [illegible] situation in Greece against the rights of the Ottoman Government and against the rights of its inhabitants. The history of brigandage [illegible] with which the Ottoman Government has been [illegible] by the Greek Government, and the manner in which the Greek Government has [illegible] the [illegible] of the Ottoman Government, [illegible] of the Ottoman Government, [illegible] of the Ottoman Government,

FINANCIAL.

THE NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY,

OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK,
NO. 236 BROADWAY.

CAPITAL,
ONE MILLION DOLLARS.

CHARTERED BY THE STATE

DARIUS B. MANGAM, President.
JAMES MERRELL, Secretary.
RECEIVES DEPOSITS AND ALLOWS
FOUR PER CENT. INTEREST
ON DAILY BALANCES,
SUBJECT TO CHECK AT SIGHT.
SPECIAL DEPOSIT or six Months or more, may be made at five per cent.

The Capital of ONE MILLION DOLLARS is divided among over 600 Shareholders, comprising many gentlemen of large wealth and financial experience, who are also personally liable to directors for all obligations of the Company to double the amount of their capital stock. As THE NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY receives deposits in large or small amounts, and permits them to be drawn on a check or order, and pays interest on DAILY BALANCES, parties who keep accounts in this Institution with special advantages of security, convenience and profit.

VERMILYE & CO.,

BANKERS,
REMOVED TO
NOS. 16 AND 18 NASSAU-ST.

DEALERS IN ALL ISSUES OF GOVERNMENT SECURITIES AND IN GOLD AND GOLD COUPONS.

CLOSING PRICES.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 6, 1869—3 P. M.

	Buy.	Sell.		Buy.	Sell.
Registered, 1881	109½	109¾	6-20 Coupon, '67	107¼	107¾
Coupon, 1881	111¼	111¾	6-20 Coupon, '68	108	
5-20 Ext., 1862	111¾	112	10-40 Registered	104½	105
5-20 Coupon, '62	111¾	112	10-40 Coupon	105½	106
5-20 Coupon, '64	108¼	108¾	Gold	134¾	134¾
5-20 Coupon, '65	108¼	108¾	U. S. Cur. Fac.	96½	96¾
5-20 Coupon, '66	108¼	108¾			
Jan. and July	107¼	107¾			

BUY AND SELL ON COMMISSION,
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MAKING LIBERAL ADVANCES
INTEREST ON DEPOSITS.

SMITH RANDOLPH & CO.

BANKERS PHILA. N. YORK

No. 2 Nassau-st.,
Bankers in U. S. Bonds, Members of Stock and Gold Exchanges,
issue Bills of Exchange on
C. J. HAMBRO & SON, London,
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JAMES W. TUCKER & CO., Paris,
and Letters of Credit available throughout Europe.

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BANKERS AND BROKERS,
No. 30 Broadway and No. 5 New-st., New-York,
buy and sell on commission, for cash or on margin, all issues of Government bonds and all other securities dealt in at the Board of Brokers; make advances on approved securities.
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CLARENCE DAY,
Member New-York Stock Exchange.

WINSLOW, LANIER & CO.,

BANKERS,
NO. 72 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK,
ISSUE LETTERS OF CREDIT for Traveler's use available in all parts of the world.
GOVERNMENT AND OTHER SECURITIES bought and sold at the Stock Exchange on usual commissions.
Interest allowed on deposits.

SOWLES BROTHERS & CO.,

BANKERS AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
NO. 52 RUE DE LA PAIX, PARIS,
No. 19 William-st., New-York,
No. 52 State-st., Boston.
Make advances on approved securities and cash acceptances on demand. Bills on the United States or England bought and sold. Circular credits granted. Letters for American houses addressed to our care will be forwarded or delivered.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO.,

NO. 59 WALL-ST.,
ISSUE COMMERCIAL AND TRAVELERS' CREDITS FOR USE IN THIS COUNTRY AND ABROAD.

AUGUST BELMONT & CO.,

Issue Letters of Credit, for Travelers' use, on
MESSRS. MOTHERS, ROTHSCHILD,
in Paris, London, Frankfort-on-the-Main, Vienna, and their correspondents in all principal cities of Europe; also, make Telegraphic Transfers of Money between
CALIFORNIA AND EUROPE.

MIDLAND RAILROAD.

NOTICE.

The coupons due Jan. 1, 1869, on the bonds of the towns and cities, issued in aid of the construction of the Midland Railroad of New-York, will be paid on presentation at the American Exchange National Bank, in the City of New-York, on and after the 3d proximo.

W. M. CONKEY,
Treasurer New-York and Oswego Midland Railroad.
OSWEGO, Dec. 21, 1868.

NATIONAL BROADWAY BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
ELECTION.—THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR directors of this bank will be held in the banking-house No. 257 Broadway, on TUESDAY, the 12th day of January ensuing, between the hours of 11 A. M. and 1 P. M.
J. AVERITT, Cashier.

MERCHANTS' EXCHANGE NATIONAL BANK OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the banking house, on TUESDAY, the 12th day of January, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.
S. J. OAKLEY, Cashier.

THE NATIONAL PARK BANK OF NEW-YORK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the banking house Nos. 214 and 216 Broadway, on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, 1869, from 12 to 1 o'clock.
J. L. WORTH, Cashier.

THE GREENWICH NATIONAL BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the banking room on TUESDAY, the 12th day of January, 1869, from 12 M. to 1 P. M.
W. A. MERRIFIELD, Cashier.

THIRD NATIONAL BANK,
No. 37 BROAD-ST., CORNER EXCHANGE-PLACE,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the banking house, No. 37 Broad-st., on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, 1869, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 o'clock P. M.
A. J. CLINTON, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE BROOKLYN FIRE INSURANCE CO.,
BROOKLYN, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR TRUSTEES of this Company, and inspectors of the annual election, will be held at the office of the Company, on MONDAY, the 11th day of January next, from 10 to 2 o'clock P. M.
H. BOGARDUS, Secretary.

SHELDEN AND COLUMBIAN COPPER COMPANY OF MICHIGAN.—A special meeting of the stockholders of the above Company will be held at the office, No. 2 William-st., New-York, on MONDAY, the 18th day of February, 1869, at 12 o'clock M., to vote upon the resolutions of the Board of Directors to dissolve the Company and of forming further organization.
R. P. EDWARDS, Secretary.
The Directory.

STATE OF MISSOURI INTEREST.—SEALED PROPOSALS will be received by the State Board of Bond Commissioners, in the City of New-York, on the 15th day of January next, for funds issued or guaranteed by the State of Missouri, except those issued to the Hannibal and St. Joseph Railroad, which will be paid by the fiscal agent of the State after that date.
R. F. WALL, Cashier.

PACIFIC NATIONAL BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR THIRTEEN DIRECTORS will be held at their banking-house on TUESDAY, the 12th day of January next, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 o'clock P. M.
R. BUCK, Cashier.

STAR FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 23 BROADWAY, New-York, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Company will be held at their office on MONDAY, the 11th day of January next, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.
M. M. BRADLEY, Secretary.

EIGHTH NATIONAL BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 12, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this bank will be held at the banking-house, No. 637 Broadway, on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, 1869, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.
CHAS. HUDSON, Cashier.

NATIONAL HIDE AND LEATHER BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of the Bank will be held at the banking-house, Broadway and Chambers-st., on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, 1869, between the hours of 11 M. and 1 P. M.
H. M. CLANE, Cashier.

OFFICE OF THE EAGLE FIRE COMPANY,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of the Company and for Inspectors will be held at the Company's office, No. 71 William-st., on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, 1869, commencing at 11 o'clock A. M. and closing at 1 o'clock P. M.
A. J. CLINTON, Secretary.

NOTICE.—THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR five Trustees of the Smith and Farmers Gold Company will be held at the office of the Company, No. 8 Broad-st., in the City of New-York, on SUNDAY, Jan. 11, 1869, between the hours of 11 o'clock A. M. and 1 o'clock P. M. By order.
WM. H. HOLLISTER, Secretary.

FINANCIAL.

BANKING HOUSE OF

JAY COOKE & CO.

NO. 114 WALL-ST.,
CORNER OF NASSAU-ST., NEW-YORK.
We buy and sell at the most liberal current prices, and have on hand a full supply of
GOVERNMENT BONDS OF ALL ISSUES,
and execute orders for purchase and sale of
STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD.
We have formed for our office a Stamp Department for the accommodation of the public desiring the most convenient and safest mode of purchasing Government Stamps, the denomination of GOLD and INTEREST COUPONS, and the sale of INTERNAL REVENUE STAMPS.
JAY COOKE & CO.

FIRST MORTGAGE TEN-YEAR BONDS.
PATERSON AND NEWARK RAILROAD CO.
INTEREST SEVEN PER CENT. PAYABLE SEMI-ANNUALLY. PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST GUARANTEED BY THE ERIE RAILWAY COMPANY.
FOR SALE BY
HOWE & BELDEN,
BANKERS,
No. 70 Broadway and No. 7 New-st.

FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS
OF THE
CALIFORNIA PACIFIC RAILROAD.
PRINCIPAL AND SEVEN PER CENT. INTEREST PAYABLE IN GOLD AT THE NATIONAL PARK BANK, NEW-YORK.
COUPONS PAID JANUARY AND JULY.
The Road is completed for the extent of the Bay of San Francisco to Sacramento, and fully equipped with first-class rolling stock. The net receipts are more than double the interest on the bonds, and are rapidly increasing. We believe these to be one of the best investments offered. A limited amount for sale at par and accrued interest in currency.
TURNER BROTHERS, Bankers,
No. 14 Nassau-st.

ST. LOUIS AND IRON MT. R. R. BONDS.
The Company will sell about 100 First Mortgage Bonds during each of the months of January, February and March, which will stand the entire Sum Paris for January, the second instalment, for February, the third instalment, for March, the fourth instalment, at 90 and accrued interest.
H. A. VARGUINO, Vice-President.
No. 21 Nassau-st.

QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE MECHANICS' BANK, in the City of New-York, in the State of New-York, on the morning of the 1st Monday of January, 1869.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	$1,202,272 72
Indebtedness of Directors	4,000 00
United States bonds to secure circulation	100,000 00
United States bonds on deposit	105,000 00
Other stocks, bonds and mortgages	14,000 00
Due from approved Associations in New-York City, viz:	
Due from National Banks	2,070 18
Due from other Banks and Bankers	7,700 07
Banking-house	40,000 00
Current expenses	17,811 10
Premiums paid (including stamps)	14,087 50
Exchanges for Clearing-house	459,000 00
Fractional currency (including nickels)	3,100 00
Bills of other Banks (incl. Gold and Cur. Notes)	34,000 00
Gold Treasury notes	34,000 00
Legal-tender notes	124,000 00
Three per cent. certificates	100,000 00
Total	$2,506,171 00

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	$250,000 00
Surplus fund	100,000 00
Discounts	21,472 21
Interest	2,000 00
Profit and loss	28,172 39
Circulating notes received from Comptroller	100,000 00
State Bank circulation outstanding	1,000 00
Dividends unpaid	1,000 00
Individual deposits	1,900,000 00
Due to National Banks	1,000 00
Due to other Banks and Bankers	1,000 00
Total	$2,506,171 00

I, ROBERT RUSS, of the Pacific National Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. ROBERT RUSS, Cashier.
State of New-York, City of New-York, ss.: Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of January, 1869. EDWARD LEE, Notary Public,
City and County of New-York.

QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE NATIONAL BROADWAY BANK, in New-York, in the State of New-York, on the morning of the 1st Monday of January, 1869.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	$2,326,207 00
Overdrafts	1,000 00
Government securities	200,000 00
Other stocks, bonds and mortgages	50,000 00
Due from approved reserve agents	1,000 00
Due from other National Banks	2,000 00
Due from State Banks and Bankers	1,000 00
Real estate, furniture and fixtures	40,000 00
Current expenses and taxes paid	1,000 00
Premiums paid	1,000 00
Checks and other cash items	1,000 00
Bills of other National Banks	1,000 00
Fractional currency (including nickels)	1,000 00
Specie	1,000 00
Legal-tender notes	1,000 00
Three per cent. certificates	1,000 00
Total	$2,776,971 00

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	$200,000 00
Surplus fund	100,000 00
Interest	12,000 00
Discounts	21,000 00
Profit and loss	18,000 00
Circulating notes received from Comptroller	180,000 00
State Bank circulation outstanding	14,000 00
Individual deposits	$2,207,000 00
Certified checks	2,611 00
	1,209,611 00
Total	$2,776,971 00

I, GEO. W. YOUNG, Cashier of the Mechanics' and Traders' National Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. GEO. W. YOUNG, Cashier.
State of New-York, County of New-York, ss.: Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of January, 1869. FERNANDO WOOD, Notary Public,
New-York County.

QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE BUTCHERS' NATIONAL BANK in the City of New-York, on the morning of the first Monday in January, 1869.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and discounts	$407,324 00
Overdrafts	1,000 00
Indebtedness of Directors	2,000 00
United States Bonds to secure circulation	300,000 00
Other United States Bonds on hand	25,000 00
Other stocks, bonds and mortgages	4,000 00
Due from approved Reserve Agents	24,000 00
Due from other National Banks	19,000 00
Due from State Banks and Bankers	1,000 00
Real estate, furniture and fixtures	17,000 00
Current expenses and taxes paid	4,000 00
Premiums paid	1,000 00
Checks and other cash items	1,000 00
Bills of other National Banks	1,000 00
Fractional currency, including nickels	1,000 00
Specie	1,000 00
Legal-tender notes	1,000 00
Three per cent. certificates	1,000 00
Total	$1,246,324 00

LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	$300,000 00
Surplus fund	20,000 00
Interest	1,000 00
Discounts	21,000 00
Profit and loss	18,000 00
Circulating notes received from Comptroller	270,000 00
State Bank circulation outstanding	1,000 00
Individual deposits	1,000,000 00
Due to National Banks	1,000 00
Due to other Banks and Bankers	1,000 00
Dividends unpaid	6,000 00
Total	$1,246,324 00

CHAS. HUDSON, Cashier.
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of January, 1869. W. C. BROWN, Notary Public and County of New-York.

MECHANICS' AND MERCHANTS' NATIONAL BANK OF TROY.—Notice is hereby given that a vacancy in the Board of Directors of this Association has occurred by the death of Stephen Warren, deceased, and that the Board of Directors will, at their next meeting, fill the said vacancy by the election of a director.
And the holders of the shares of this Association are hereby notified that the books of this Association and all notes and other claims against this Association for payment of the banking notes of said Association, are in the City of Troy.
Dated at TROY, Dec. 31, 1868.
By order of the Board of Directors.
THE SIMS, Cashier.
Notice is hereby given to the holders of the banking and billbusiness business account, under the name of the Mechanics' and Mechanics' Bank of Troy.

NATIONAL BUSINESS AND PRODUCE BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the banking house, No. 124 Broadway, on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, 1869, between the hours of 11 and 1 o'clock P. M.
G. G. BRIDGEBROOK, Cashier.

SEVENTH WARD NATIONAL BANK OF NEW-YORK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the banking house, No. 48 Bowery, on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, 1869, between the hours of 11 and 1 o'clock P. M.
C. C. MONTAGUE, Cashier.

MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' NATIONAL BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS of this Bank will be held at the banking house, No. 49 Bowery, on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, 1869, between the hours of 11 and 1 o'clock P. M.
GEO. W. YOUNG, Cashier.

THE TRADESMEN'S NATIONAL BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIRECTORS will be held on TUESDAY, Jan. 12, 1869, at 12 M.
ANTHONY HALSEY, Cashier.

WANTED—LOAN, $20,000 TO $50,000 ON improved first-class real estate. Address Box No. 111 Post Office.

DIVIDENDS.

IRVING SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
No. 96 WARREN-ST.,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 31, 1868.
The Trustees of this Institution have declared the following rates of interest for the year 1869, which have been on deposits for three or six months previous to date, payable on and after Monday, the 18th of January, 1869, viz.:
SIX PER CENT. PER ANNUM
on all sums of $5 and upwards, not exceeding $1,000, and five per cent. on larger sums, not exceeding $2,000, and proportionately for fractional parts of a dollar, and interest will not be allowed on deposits made after the 10th of January, 1869.
Deposits made on or before the 10th of January will draw interest from the 1st of January.
The Bank is open for business daily (Sundays and holidays excepted) from 10 o'clock A. M. until 2 o'clock P. M., and on Monday and Saturday afternoons from 4 to 7 o'clock.
GEORGE RICHARD, President.
WILLIAM WALL, } Vice-Presidents.
NATHANIEL BRIGGS, }
SAMUEL W. TRUSLOW, Secretary.

EAST RIVER SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
NO. 3 CHAMBERS-ST.,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 14, 1868.
INTEREST AT THE RATE OF SEVEN PER CENT. PER ANNUM
on sums of $200 and under: SIX PER CENT. on sums of over $200, which have remained on deposit for three and six months previous to the 1st day of January, 1869, will be credited on and after Monday, January 18, 1869.
Interest not called for will draw interest from the 1st day of January.
The Bank will be open from 10 o'clock A. M. till 2 o'clock P. M., and on Thursdays from 10 A. M. till 7 P. M.
WILLIAM H. SLOCUM, President.
CHARLES A. WHITNEY, Secretary.

METROPOLITAN SAVINGS BANK,
Nos. 1 and 2 Third-av., New-York,
Cooper Union Institute,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 21, 1868.
JANUARY INTEREST.—The usual semi-annual interest will be allowed at the rate of SIX PER CENT. per annum (free from Government Tax) on all sums from $5 to $5,000, will be paid on and after the third MONDAY in January.
Deposits made on or before the 10th of January will draw interest from the 1st day of January; if made after the 10th and before the 20th of January, they will be entitled to interest from the 1st day of February.
Deposits made on or before the 20th of January will be entitled to interest from the 1st day of February.
The Bank will be open for the receipt of deposits and the payment of interest on Tuesday, Jan. 19, from 10 A. M. to 1 P. M., and on Monday, Jan. 18, from 10 A. M. to 1 P. M.
JOHN J. BERLOTH, Treasurer.

KNICKERBOCKER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW-YORK,
OFFICE, No. 29 WALL-ST.,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 4, 1869.
A DIVIDEND OF FIVE PER CENT. FROM the earnings of the past six months on the capital stock of the Company, (free of Government tax), will be paid to the stockholders or their legal representatives, on and after Jan. 5, 1869. The transfer books will be closed from Dec. 17, 1868, to Jan. 4, 1869, both inclusive.
JOHN T. BERLOTH, Treasurer.

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS of the Pacific Fire Insurance Company, held this day, a dividend of FIVE PER CENT. free of Government tax, was declared, payable on and after Jan. 11, 1869.
The transfer books will be closed from this date until Jan. 11, 1869.
CORNELIUS FORBES, Secretary.

COMMERCE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW-YORK,
OFFICE, No. 52 WALL-ST.,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 4, 1869.
DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a dividend of FIVE PER CENT. (free from Government tax), payable on and after FRIDAY, the 8th inst.
WM. H. HOXIE, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE HUDSON IRON COMPANY,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 2, 1869.
DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF the Hudson Iron Company have this day declared a dividend of Ten per cent. payable at the office of the Company, No. 128 Liberty-st., to the stockholders whose names shall on that day stand in the books of said Company as stockholders.
S. SEYMOUR, Treasurer.

MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
No. 52 BOWERY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 2, 1869.
DIVIDEND.—THE TRUSTEES HAVE DECLARED a Dividend of SIX PER CENT. per annum (free from tax) on all sums of $5 and upwards, for the six months ending Dec. 31, payable on and after Jan. 20.
ALFRED T. CONKLIN, President.
HENRY C. FISHER, Secretary.

FOURTH NATIONAL BANK
OF THE CITY OF NEW-YORK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 31, 1868.
THE DIRECTORS OF THIS BANK HAVE this day declared a Dividend of Four (4) per Cent. free of all taxes, payable on and after Jan. 2, 1869.
The transfer books will be closed from the 24th inst. until Jan. 2.
E. SEAMAN, Cashier.

METROPOLITAN NATIONAL BANK,
No. 10 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 31, 1868.
THE DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN NATIONAL BANK have this day declared a Semi-annual Dividend of SIX PER CENT. free of all tax, payable on the first MONDAY of January next.
The Transfer Books will remain closed until Jan. 16, 1869.
GEO. I. SENEY, Cashier.

OFFICE OF THE NEW-YORK, PROVIDENCE AND BOSTON RAILROAD CO., (STONINGTON RAILROAD),
NEW-YORK, Dec. 31, 1868.
A DIVIDEND OF FIVE PER CENT. WILL be paid to the stockholders of this Company, on the 15th day of January, 1869.
ALBERT G. MORGAN'S SONS, 72 WALL-ST., are the agents in New-York.
The transfer books will be closed until the 15th prox.
F. B. WOODWORTH, Treasurer.

PACIFIC NATIONAL BANK, NEW-YORK, Dec. 31, 1868.
THE DIRECTORS OF THIS BANK HAVE this day declared a dividend of Four (4) per Cent. free of all taxes, payable on and after Jan. 2, 1869.
The transfer books will be closed from date until Jan. 2, 1869.
JOHN PARKER, Cashier.

OFFICE INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE COMPANY,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 31, 1868.
A SEMI-ANNUAL DIVIDEND OF FIVE PER CENT., free from Government tax, has this day been declared, by the Board of Directors, and is payable on demand.
WM. J. HUGHES, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE PANAMA RAILROAD COMPANY,
TURNER BUILDINGS, No. 52 WALL-ST.,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 31, 1868.
FORTY-SEVENTH DIVIDEND.—THE Board of Directors have this day declared a dividend of Six (6) per Cent., out of the earnings of the Road for the three months of Jan., Feb. and March, 1869, payable in gold, to the stockholders or their legal representatives, on and after the 1st of March next. Transfer books will be closed on the afternoon of the 24th inst., and reopened on the morning of the 1st prox.
HENRY SMITH, Treasurer.

HOME, WATERTOWN AND OGDENSBURG RAILROAD,
No. 12 COLLEGE-PLACE, NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1868.
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THIS Company have declared a semi-annual dividend of Five per Cent. (free) to the stockholders of record at this date, payable on and after the 20th January. New-York stock will be paid at the Mercantile National Bank, in the City of New-York, and thereafter only at the Company's office, Watertown.
J. A. LAWYER, Treasurer.

NEW-YORK AND NEW-HAVEN RAILROAD COMPANY,
CORNER 4TH-AV. AND 32D-ST., NEW-YORK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 24, 1868.
A DIVIDEND OF FIVE PER CENT. FROM the earnings of the past six months on the capital stock of the Company, (free of Government tax), will be paid to stockholders, on and after Jan. 2, 1869. The transfer books will be closed from Dec. 17, 1868, to Jan. 4, 1869, both inclusive.
JOHN M. BIRLOTH, Treasurer.

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS of the Continental Fire Insurance Co., held this day, a dividend of FIVE PER CENT. free of Government tax, was declared, payable on and after Jan. 11, 1869.
The transfer books will be closed from this date until Jan. 11, 1869.
CORNELIUS FORBES, Secretary.

COMMERCE FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW-YORK,
OFFICE, No. 52 WALL-ST.,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 31, 1868.
DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS have this day declared a dividend of FIVE PER CENT. (free from Government tax), payable on and after FRIDAY, the 8th inst.
WM. H. HOXIE, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE HUDSON IRON COMPANY,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 2, 1869.
DIVIDEND.—THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF the Hudson Iron Company have this day declared a dividend of Ten per cent. payable at the office of the Company, No. 128 Liberty-st., to the stockholders whose names shall on that day stand in the books of said Company as stockholders.
S. SEYMOUR, Treasurer.

MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
No. 52 BOWERY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 2, 1869.
DIVIDEND.—THE TRUSTEES HAVE DECLARED a Dividend of SIX PER CENT. per annum (free from tax) on all sums of $5 and upwards, for the six months ending Dec. 31, payable on and after Jan. 20.
ALFRED T. CONKLIN, President.
HENRY C. FISHER, Secretary.

UNION DIME SAVINGS BANK,
Nos. 396 and 398 Canal-st., corner of Lafayette.
SIX PER CENT. Interest on $5 to $5,000.
Money deposited on or before the 10th of January will draw interest from Jan. 1.
JAS. M. BROWN, President.

MANHATTAN SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
No. 644 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 31, 1868.
THE TRUSTEES OF THIS INSTITUTION have this day declared a dividend of Six per Cent. on all deposits, (by the rules entitled thereto,) at the rate of Six Per Cent. per annum, on all sums not exceeding $1,000, and Five Per Cent. on larger sums, payable on and after MONDAY, Jan. 18, 1869, free of Government tax. The dividend will be credited under date of Jan. 1, and if not withdrawn, will receive interest the same as a deposit of that date.
SIX PER CENT. FREE ASSUM, ON ALL SUMS FROM $5 TO $5,000,
will allowed Depositors, July 1, 1868, and Jan. 1, 1869.
M. BROWN, President.
EDWARD SCHELL, Treasurer.
C. F. ALVORD, Secretary.

GREENWICH SAVINGS BANK,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 31, 1868.
INTEREST WILL BE PAID TO DEPOSITORS at the rate of SEVEN PER CENT. PER ANNUM on all sums from $5 to $5,000, and SIX PER CENT. on sums exceeding $5,000, agreeably with the provisions of the By-laws, free from Government tax and payable on and after Jan. 2, 1869.
All interest not called for will be credited as principal and draw interest accordingly.
All deposits made on or before Jan. 10, 1869, will draw interest from the 1st.
BENJAMIN F. WHEELWRIGHT, President.
JOHN S. DICKERSON, } Secretaries.
JAMES BRIGGS, }

MECHANICS' AND TRADERS' SAVINGS INSTITUTION, No. 52 Bowery, near Houston-st.—Six per cent. interest (free from tax) allowed on all sums of from $5 to $10,000.
Deposits made on or before Jan. 20 will draw interest from Jan. 1. Open daily from 9 A. M. to 1 P. M., and on MONDAYS and WEDNESDAYS from 6 to 7.
ALFRED T. CONKLIN, President.
HENRY C. FISHER, Secretary.

FRANKLIN SAVINGS BANK, CORNER 8D-AV. AND 8D-ST.—Six Per Cent. interest allowed on all sums of $5 and upward, free of Government tax.
Deposits made on or before Jan. 11, draw interest from the 1st.
SAMUEL NEWBY, President.
JAMES S. TEEN, Secretary.

DIME SAVINGS BANK, NOS. 1 AND 3 Broadway, Williamsburg.—Deposits made on or before Jan. 20, draw interest from Jan. 1, at six per cent. interest, free of tax, up to $5,000.
PETER M. DINGEE, President.
WILLIAM GRANDY, Secretary.

HARLEM SAVINGS BANK, 30-AV., BETWEEN 125TH AND 126TH STS.—SIX PER CENT. interest, free from Government tax. Deposits made now draw interest from Jan. 1. THOS. S. TAFT, President. JOHN A. KENYON, Secretary.

SAVINGS BANKS.

ATLANTIC SAVINGS BANK,
OPPOSITE SQUARE AND POWERS,
Jan. 4, 1869.
The Board of Trustees of the Atlantic Savings Bank have ordered that a semi-annual and full-yearly dividend at the rate of
SEVEN PER CENT. PER ANNUM
on all deposits contained thereto, be made on and after MONDAY, Jan. 18, 1869, out of the earnings of the Bank for the past six months.
HARRISON HALL, President.
C. D. BAILEY, Treasurer.
JOSEPH P. COOPER, Secretary.
N. B.—Deposits made on or before Jan. 20 will draw interest from Jan. 1; interest not withdrawn will be added to the principal.

IRVING SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
NO. 96 WARREN-ST., NEW-YORK.
SIX PER CENT. interest allowed on all sums from $1 to $5,000, free of Government tax.
Deposits made now will draw interest from Jan. 1.
Bank open daily from 10 A. M. to 3 P. M.
WALTER W. CONCKLIN, President.
VANDERBILT L. BUXTON, Secretary.

WILLIAMSBURG SAVINGS BANK,
CORNER OF
SOUTH 3D AND 4TH STS., BROOKLYN, E. D.
Williamsburg, L. I.
DIVIDENDS AND EXTRA DIVIDENDS.
Depositors are hereby notified that a semi-annual interest at the rate of SIX PER CENT. per annum on all sums of three dollars and upward that shall have been deposited three months on the 1st day of January next, will be paid to depositors on or after Monday, Jan. 18, 1869.
An EXTRA INTEREST will also be paid at the same time, at the rate of TWO PER CENT. PER ANNUM.
ALL FREE FROM GOVERNMENT TAX.
Interest will be added to the accounts or credits of depositors as principal, and will draw interest from Jan. 1. Deposits made on or before the 10th of January will draw interest from Jan. 1.
The Bank is open for business daily (Sundays and holidays excepted) from 10 o'clock A. M. until 2 o'clock P. M., and on Monday and Saturday afternoons from 4 to 7 o'clock.
GEORGE RICHARD, President.
WILLIAM WALL, } Vice-Presidents.
NATHANIEL BRIGGS, }
SAMUEL W. TRUSLOW, Secretary.

EAST RIVER SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
NO. 3 CHAMBERS-ST.,
NEW-YORK, Dec. 14, 1868.
INTEREST AT THE RATE OF SEVEN PER CENT. PER ANNUM
on sums of $200 and under: SIX PER CENT. on sums of over $200, which have remained on deposit for three and six months previous to the 1st day of January, 1869, will be credited on and after Monday, January 18, 1869.
Interest not called for will draw interest from the 1st day of January.
The Bank will be open from 10 o'clock A. M. till 2 o'clock P. M., and on Thursdays from 10 A. M. till 7 P. M.
WILLIAM H. SLOCUM, President.
CHARLES A. WHITNEY, Secretary.

METROPOLITAN SAVINGS BANK,
Nos. 1 and 2 Third-av., New-York,
Cooper Union Institute,
NEW-YORK, JANUARY INTEREST.
THE ANNUAL INTEREST, AT THE RATE OF SIX PER CENT. PER ANNUM (free from Government Tax) on all sums from $5 to $5,000, will be paid to depositors on and after Jan. 20, if not withdrawn.
Deposits made on or before Jan. 20 will draw interest from the 1st of JANUARY as a deposit.
DEPOSITS MADE on or before JAN. 20, will draw interest from Jan. 1.
SIX PER CENT. Interest (free from Government Tax) allowed on all sums from $5 to $5,000.
ISAAC T. SMITH, President.
T. W. LILLIE, Secretary.

BROADWAY SAVINGS INSTITUTION,
No. 97 Broadway, entrance in Park-place.—Interest at the rate of SIX PER CENT. for the six months ending Dec. 31, on the sum of $5 and upwards, and not exceeding $5,000, will be credited on and after Jan. 18, 1869, free of Government tax. Deposits made now will draw interest from Jan. 1.
E. S. BULL, President.
C. W. BRIGGS, Secretary.

INSTRUCTION.

MR. GEO. C. ARTHON'S
CLASSICAL FRENCH AND ENGLISH SCHOOL,
With Primary Department and Gymnasium,
Nos. 213 and 215 4th-av.

COOPER UNION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE AND ART.
FREE NIGHT CLASSES.
The course of twelve lectures on "Chemistry Applied to the Arts," by Prof. CHARLES A. SEYSTON, commenced on WEDNESDAY EVENING, Jan. 6, at 7½ o'clock, in the chemical lecture-room, on the 4th floor, and will be continued on each WEDNESDAY EVENING until completed. Subject—The Metals and their Compounds, Ferrous and Non-Ferrous.
The course of instruction on The Science of Government will be given by M. RICHARD LEVERSON, Esq., by lectures and conversations on MONDAY EVENINGS, in the hall, in the fourth story, commencing on THURSDAY, the 21st January, at 8 P. M., and on the succeeding MONDAY and THURSDAY EVENINGS until completed. The Inaugural Address will be given in the great hall on THURSDAY EVENING, the 21st inst., at 8 P. M. Admission free. Tickets for the course can be had on application, at the office daily during the day and evening of the present week.
General visitors will always be admitted before 8 P. M., without tickets.
The regular free course of Scientific Lectures in the evening classes will be continued on every SABBATH EVENING, at 7½ o'clock, by the following gentlemen: Prof. ALEX. WINCHELL, Prof. WM. H. PETTEE, Prof. JOHN S. HITTELL, Prof. ROBERT ALLYN, Prof. ABLEM T. BEWITT, Secretary.

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J. W. SCHERMERHORN, Actuary, 14

SHIPPING.

THE GERMAN STEAM-SHIP COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE, CALLING AT BREST.

The splendid vessels on this favorite route are as follows:

EUROPE	Lemaire	SATURDAY, Jan. 9
VILLE DE PARIS	Surmont	WEDNESDAY, Jan. 13
FRANCE	Duchesne	SATURDAY, Feb. 6
ST. LAURENT	Roussin	WEDNESDAY, Feb. 10

RATES OF PASSAGE IN GOLD, including wines:
TO BREST OR HAVRE:
Steerage, $35; second cabin, $60.
TO PARIS:
Including railway ticket through to Paris:
First cabin, $140; second cabin, $90.
Steerage, $40.

Medical attendance free of charge.

American travelers going to or returning from the Continent of Europe by taking the steamers at this time, will vote unanimously that the French railways and the discomforts of crossing the Channel, besides saving time, are well compensated for.

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THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT COVE, HARBOR.

ERIN leaves	WEDNESDAY, Jan. 13
CUBA leaves	WEDNESDAY, Jan. 20
ALPS leaves	WEDNESDAY, Jan. 27
ROMAN EMPIRE leaves	WEDNESDAY, Feb. 3
RUSSIA leaves	WEDNESDAY, Feb. 10

RATES OF PASSAGE.

Chief Cabin Cabin	$130
Second Cabin Passage	80
Cabin Cabin Passage to Paris	140

Payable in gold.

Berths not secured until paid for.

The owners of these ships will not be responsible for goods or valuables, and bills of lading saying the value thereof will be signed therefor.

For freight or passage apply to

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STEAM TO GLASGOW AND DERRY.
THE ANCHOR LINE.
Regular Sailings from New-York every Saturday.
EVERY SATURDAY.

ADIA	Jas. Bennett	Jan. 9
ANGLIA	Richard Kennedy	Jan. 16
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RATES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN GUINEAS.
Cabin, to Liverpool, Glasgow, or Londonderry, $80 and $85 gold, according to accommodation.
Steerage, to Glasgow, $28; Londonderry, $28.
Steerage Certificates from Europe, $30.
Passengers booked to and from Hamburg, Havre, Rotterdam, Antwerp, and all ports in Europe.
Drafts issued payable at our bank in Great Britain and Ireland.
For further information apply at the Company's office, No. 7 Bowling-green, New-York.
HENDERSON BROTHERS.

LIVERPOOL AND GREAT WESTERN STEAM COMPANY.
FOR LIVERPOOL.
From Pier No. 45 North River, WEDNESDAYS.

COLORADO	3,116 tons	Jan. 20, at 10 A. M.
NEBRASKA	3,000 tons	Feb. 3, at 10 A. M.
MANHATTAN	3,000 tons	Feb. 17, at 10 A. M.
NEVADA (new)		Feb. 10, at 3 P. M.

Cabin passage, $80, and $5 Stewards, $35 currency.
Tickets to time on passage from Europe can be obtained on reasonable terms.
For freight or passage apply at the office of the Company, No. 11 Wall-st.
WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 11 Wall-st.
The steamers leaving at Quarantine.
WILLIAMS & GUION, No. 7 Bowling-green.

CUNARD LINE OF STEAMERS:
BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT QUEENSTOWN.
FROM NEW-YORK EVERY WEDNESDAY.

SIBERIA	Jas. T. Tripoli	Jan. 20
ALPS	Jas. Lamplier	Feb. 3

RATES OF PASSAGE FROM NEW-YORK.
Cabin ..... $80 Currency.
Steerage ..... $30 Currency.
Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown also at reduced rates.
For freight or passage, apply at No. 4 Bowling-green.
E. CUNARD.

NATIONAL LINE.
THE STEAMSHIP ENGLAND, Tomkinson, will sail THURSDAY, Jan. 14, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 45 North River.
Passage to Liverpool or Queenstown: Cabin, $80; Steerage, $30. Steerage tickets from Liverpool or Queenstown, $30 currency.
Apply to the Company's office, No. 69 Broadway.
F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

FOR LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN.
Line of steamships sailing every Saturday, as follows:

ETNA	Saturday, Jan. 9	P. M.
CITY OF MANCHESTER (via Halifax)	Saturday, Jan. 16	P. M.
CITY OF NEW-YORK	Saturday, Jan. 23	P. M.
CITY OF ANTWERP	Saturday, Jan. 30	P. M.

And each succeeding SATURDAY at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 20 North River, foot of Canal-st.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

PAYABLE IN GOLD.	PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.
Cabin, $100	Cabin, $80 and $85
Steerage, $35	Steerage, $30 and $35
Children under 12 years, $20	Children under 12 years, $20 and $25
Children under 3 years, $5	Children under 3 years, $5
Children under 3 years, $5	Children under 3 years, $5

Steerage tickets to and from Europe, at reduced rates.
Passengers can be met at Halifax, if required, on notice being given at the office of the Company.
For further information apply at the Company's office, No. 15 Broadway, New-York.
JOHN G. DALE, Agent.

STEAM COMMUNICATION DIRECT BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND NEW-ORLEANS.
THE PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY
Will dispatch from New-York, every Wednesday, the following Steamships:
CHAMPION, NEW-ZEALAND, and QUEEN OF THE WEST.
Carrying the United States mail.
The well-known, fast and commodious steamship
CHAMPION, Capt. J. Lockwood, will leave Pier No. 4 North River, on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 13, at 3 o'clock P. M.
DE SOTO follows ..... Jan. 20
Through bills of lading given for Galveston, Indianola, Lavacca and Rock Port, Texas, also for all points on the Mississippi River.
No Bills of lading forwarded on day of sailing.
For freight or passage, apply at the office of the Company, No. 2 Battery-place.
CHARLES MORGAN, No. 2 Battery-place.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY
THROUGH LINE TO SAN JUAN
CALIFORNIA AND CHINA.
Through rates, New-York to San Francisco:

Outside.	Inside.	Second Cabin.	Steerage.
$270	$225	$150	$65

Steamship of the Atlantic line leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock, noon, on

FOUR TIMES A MONTH

On Jan. 9th, 19th, 29th and 14th.

Accept which time there has not been a day that the day previous.

One hundred pounds baggage free to each adult.

Jan. 9, ALASKA (Capt. Gray), connecting with COLORADO, Capt. Hawkins.

Jan. 19, NEVADA (new), Capt. Pierce, connecting with GOLDEN AGE, Capt. Trask.

Jan. 29, CONSTITUTION, Capt. Lockwood, connecting with CHAMPION, Capt. Lockwood.

Jan. 14, NEW-ZEALAND, Capt. Blanchard, for Yokohama and Japan.

For passage tickets and all further information apply at the Company's ticket office on Pier No. 42 North-st.

P. R. BABY, Agent.

NOTICE.—NO SHIPPERS BY PACIFIC MAIL Steamship Company.—Steamer ALASKA sails on SATURDAY, Jan. 9, at 12 M., from Pier No. 42 North River. Freight received until 4 P. M. on the day of sailing.

P. R. BABY, Agent.

FOR ST. THOMAS AND HAVANA.
UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.
REGULAR MAIL DISPATCHES.
THE EMPIRE CITY, Capt. J. Thurston, Jan. 23.
SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. Geo. E. Shelleraux, Feb. 23.
MISSISSIPPI, Capt. Geo. E. Lincoln, March 23.
Passage, $75 currency, including meals and berth.
Freight, 10 cents per pound, gold, and 10 per cent. for Rio Janeiro, going and returning.
For freight or passage, apply to
A. E. CARRICK & B. G. CARRICK, Agents,
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FOR NASSAU, N. P.
BIDER CONTRACT WITH THE BAHAMA GOVERNMENT FOR THE CARRYING OF THE ROYAL MAILS.
THE ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY
Will dispatch from New-York, every Saturday, the following Steamships:
EAGLE, Capt. E. B. Crosby, Jan. 9.
GEO. L. RICE, Capt. R. W. Pinkham, Jan. 16.
For freight or passage, apply to
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C. H. MAIL TO HAVANA.
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Sailing regularly every FRIDAY, at 3 P. M.
MISSOURI, Capt. R. E. Crosby.
NORTH CAROLINA, Capt. R. Crowell.
COLUMBIA, Capt. R. Wallace.
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JOHN G. DALE, Agent.

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New-York and Mexican Mail Steamship Line.
Sails every Saturday. The fine iron-hull steamship SAN FRANCISCO, Capt. J. W. Bartlett, will leave Pier No. 11 East River, on SATURDAY, Jan. 9, at 10 A. M.
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WM. VANDERBILT, Agent.

FOR NEW-ORLEANS,
CALLING AT HAVANA.
Carrying the United States mails.
The well-known, fast steamship
HENRY LAY, Capt. J. Lowe, will leave Pier No. 3 North River, on SATURDAY, Jan. 9, at 3 o'clock P. M.
DE SOTO follows ..... Jan. 16
Through bills of lading given for Galveston, Indianola, Lavacca and Rock Port, Texas, also for all points on the Mississippi River.
No Bills of lading forwarded on day of sailing.
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ALBANY.

Proceedings in the Legislature Yesterday.

Discussion in the Senate on the Railroad Quarrels.

Bills Introduced Concerning the Excise Law.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1869.

Both Houses of the Legislature convened promptly at 12 o'clock this morning, and both adjourned a little after 2.

Senator BEACH called up his resolution referring to the Railroad Committee the inquiry into the issue of new stock by the directors of various railroads of the State, with instructions to report what legislation, if any, is needed to protect bona fide stockholders. The resolution elicited considerable debate. Senator CAMPBELL, of the Railroad Committee, thought it should go to the Judiciary Committee for the reason, first, that the Railroad Committee was already overworked, and second, that the inquiry would resolve itself into a simple legal question. Senator HAIGHT was opposed to courting any participation in a fight that had defied everybody who had engaged in it, and thought it would be time enough for the Senate to join in these railroad quarrels when the subject was brought before them by some of the aggrieved parties. As long as the stockholders were satisfied with the management of their directors, it was not incumbent upon the Senate to interfere. Mr. DREAKER thought otherwise; these railroad quarrels had become a public scandal; they had disgraced the Courts, both Federal and State, and the Legislature, which was above Courts and Judges, was the proper body to apply the remedy. The discussion ended in the adoption of the resolution as offered.

The Assembly transacted little business beyond adopting a resolution to adjourn to-morrow until Wednesday of next week, in which the Senate will doubtless concur. A few bills were noticed, among them one by Mr. HARTMAN, of New-York, for an amendment to the Excise law. Its provisions are in the main like the bill of Senator CRAMER noticed yesterday. The Assembly committees will not be announced till the latter part of next week—some say not until after the Senatorial fight is over—and until they are announced the House will not be in condition to proceed to business.

THE UNITED STATES SENATORSHIP.

The Senatorial fight continues to be the all-engrossing subject of discussion inside and outside the Legislature. The hotels are crammed with lobbyists, who all take a hand in the fight on one side or the other, each hoping to turn up on the winning side, and thus secure aid for his future lobbying schemes. The Fusion men still maintain the assurance with which they started out, and their leader has taken a parlor at the Delavan House as a more convenient rendezvous for his friends. But he has a host of active enemies working against him, and the stories that are circulated of his duplicity and double-dealing, breaches of faith and downright lying would fill a large volume. It would appear from the common talk about him, that he had made promises to nearly every Republican in the State, and had kept faith with no one but Senator E. FENTON. MORGAN's friends are not so blustering and voluble as their opponents, but they claim to have great strength in reserve, which will show itself when the proper time comes. Their candidate is reserve for less abuse from those who were once his friends than FENTON does, and appears to have made fewer pledges that he was unable to redeem. Third candidates are occasionally spoken of—among them Hon. Wm. CURTIS, GREELEY, BOURKE, WOODWARD and others; but FENTON and MORGAN still continue the chief figures in the canvass. Judge HAYNE, who was thought by some to have a contingent position in the ring of candidates, has formally withdrawn, and simultaneously therewith HORACE GREELEY made his appearance in the legislative halls. Whether he is to take DAVIS' place, or simply act as bottle-holder to FENTON, is the anxious query of the lobby just at present.

GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS.

There are a score or more of tolerably fat offices to be filled by Gov. HOFFMAN, "by and with the advice and consent of the Senate." First and foremost is the Health Officer of New-York, worth all the way from $20,000 to $100,000 a year. Then there are ten or a dozen Harbor Masters, thirteen or fourteen Port Wardens, a Port Captain, several Canal Appraisers, &c. The Senate being in a Republican majority of two, is not likely to give its "advice" in favor of the appointment of a Democrat, unless that advice is paid for and paid for handsomely. Hence, the anxiety to know who, if anybody, is for sale. The Democrats no less than the Republicans are anxious on this point—the former perhaps even more than the latter. Assuming (not a rash assumption, I hope) that no Republican will sell his advice for filthy lucre, one of two things must necessarily follow; either the present incumbents of these various fat offices must hold over, or else there must be some trading done. Now, HOFFMAN, it is said, is opposed to all trading or trafficking, bartering or bargaining with the enemy. His motto is total non-intercourse. He wants to stand on his dignity—the dignity of a new Governor who has an ambitious eye to the Presidency. But Tammany wants the spoils and will have them, if they can only be had by trading; the Governor must drop dignity and turn trader. Trade he must, and it will be an interesting sight to see for some who have nothing else to do to watch the terms of the bargain, as they develop themselves during the coming session of the Legislature. Tammany is willing to trade off all the other berths for that of Health Officer, and as Dr. SWINBURNE could not get she compensation of the Senate last year, when appointed by a Republican Governor, it looks as though Dr. SWINBURNE would first sacrifice to the necessities of the mission.

STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.....ALBANY, Wednesday, Jan. 6, 1869.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. CRAMER—Relative to the salaries of the commissioners of the Metropolitan Police.

By Mr. FOLGER—To submit to the people the Constitution proposed by the last Convention.

By Mr. KERNOCHAN—Conferring certain powers on the Board of Education of Brooklyn.

By Mr. HALE—To amend existing laws relative to battery.

By Mr. RUMSEY—Incorporating the Fulton Market Beef Manufacturing Association.

By Mr. CAMPBELL—To repeal the act relative to bridges across the Genesee River, in Wyoming County, passed in 1868.

By Mr. RICE—Dividing the County of Sullivan.

By Mr. MURPHY—Amending the act incorporating the New-York Bridge Company.

PETITIONS.

By Mr. HALE—Of citizens of Clinton and Essex Counties for plank road, to the Whitehall and Plattsburg Railroad.

By Mr. CAMPBELL—Of citizens of Oneida County for the repeal of the act pertaining to the National Guard.

By Mr. MURPHY—To divorce the wives of the Judges of the Court of Appeals and the Supreme Court.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. CAMPBELL—Relating to evidence in criminal prosecutions.

By Mr. KERNOCHAN—Relating to the City of Brooklyn to issue bonds and take stock in the Brooklyn Navy-yard, and Gowanus and Gravesend Bay Railroad.

By Mr. HUNTINGTON—Regulating the construction of a railroad in Twenty-third and other streets in New-York.

By Mr. FRENCH—Providing an amendment to the Constitution of the State regarding the number of Judges of the Court of Appeals and their term of office.

By Mr. TYLER—To amend an act entitled "An act to revise and consolidate the general acts relative to public instruction."

By Mr. GRAHAM—Authorizing the village of Middletown to issue bonds on the stock in the Oswego Midland Railroad.

By Mr. KERNOCHAN—To amend 3rd chapter of the New-York Telegraph Company.

RAILROAD STOCK.

On motion of Senator BEACH the resolution offered by him yesterday was taken from the table, directing the Railroad Committee to inquire into the facts and circumstances connected with the issue of stock by the Central and Hudson River Railroads, and report not later, if any, is necessary to protect the rights of bona fide stockholders in railroad corporations.

Mr. CAMPBELL moved its reference to the Judiciary Committee. Lost by yeas 11, nays 18.

On motion of Mr. TWEED the resolution was amended by instructing the committee to report in thirty days. The resolution was then adopted, the Lieutenant-Governor giving the casting vote.

A concurrent resolution relating to adjournment was received from the Assembly and tabled.

The Senate then adjourned.

ASSEMBLY.

The Speaker presented a communication from the Governor transmitting the annual reports of the Metropolitan Board of Excise, the Metropolitan Police Board, the Inspector in Chief of Gas Works, the Niagara Frontier Police Board, and the Board of Health of the Metropolitan Sanitary District. Ordered to be printed.

PETITIONS.

By Mr. RICHMOND—The petition of FREDERICK HERMAN, claiming a seat in the Sixth Assembly District of New-York.

By Mr. HARTMAN—The petition of JAMES MCFARVEY, claiming a seat in the Fourteenth District of New-York.

By Mr. BUCHANAN—The petition of ALEXANDER MCLEAN, claiming a seat in the Thirteenth District. Also JOHN V. GARDNER, claiming a seat in Eleventh District of New-York.

By Mr. JOHN B. DAVIS—The petition of WILLIAM H. HAVENS, claiming the seat of JOHN DECKER, of Richmond County.

Mr. ROSS presented several petitions for State aid to the Watkins and Pleasburg Railroad.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. SHAND—Authorizing banks and banking associations, hereafter formed, to increase the amount of their capital stock.

By Mr. BEEM—Amending the charter of the village of Akron, Erie County.

By Mr. LA BAU—To amend the act incorporating the People's Savings Bank.

By Mr. ALLADIN—Incorporating the Loan and Security Bank of Brooklyn.

By Mr. BENNETT—To amend the act relating to the preservation of game, wild deer, birds and fresh-water fish.

By Mr. MACINTOSH—To better regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors in the Metropolitan Police District.

The bill proposed to amend the Metropolitan Excise law by vesting the Board of Excise with power for the sale of beer, wines and liquors at retail, in the cities of New-York and Brooklyn, under such regulations as the Board may prescribe, and in the Counties of Westchester and Richmond the Boards of Supervisors shall have exclusive power to grant licenses.

By Mr. HARTMAN—To amend the act regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors within the Metropolitan Police District of the State of New-York.

This bill proposes that the Board of Excise may grant licenses to persons of good character to retail liquors on the following terms: For a license for the sale of malt liquors, $25; for hotels with fifty lodgers, $35; with one hundred lodgers or more, $50. All drinking places to be closed at midnight on Saturday.

Mr. ALLADIN introduced a bill empowering the New-York Stock Exchange Company to increase their capital to $400,000.

Mr. LA BAU's bill proposes to permit the People's Savings Bank of New-York to receive deposits from trustees, guardians, and others, and to pay interest thereon at the same rate as allowed to general depositors; also allowing the bank to loan money on bond and mortgage in the same manner as other savings institutions.

A concurrent resolution to adjourn from Tuesday to Wednesday, the 13th, was passed.

Adjourned.

WEST INDIES.

ARRIVAL OF THE MORRO CASTLE FROM HAVANA.

The steamship *Morro Castle*, which left Havana Jan. 2, reached this port yesterday. Purser ALBERT has our thanks for courtesies.

CUBA.

Affairs in Havana—Revolutionary Demonstrations—Progress of the Insurrection.

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Saturday, Jan. 2, 1869.

The letter published in the TIMES of the 24th ult., in which I gave a conversation between Gen. LERSUNDI and Mr. MORALES LEMUS, has caused quite an excitement among Cubans and Spaniards. I have not heard whether Mr. LEMUS himself denies the correctness of the conversation, but some of his friends are very loud in denouncing the conversation as an impossibility, because they state that Mr. LEMUS has been an abolitionist for over thirty years. Very prominent and reliable Cuban gentlemen, however, sympathizing with the revolution, assure me, on the other hand, that they have known Mr. LEMUS for the same length of time and have never heard him express any opinion in regard to slavery. Another bombshell has been a pamphlet by Mr. JOSE MARIA LEMUS, hitherto a big gun in the Cuban camp, entitled "The Future of Cuba," in which the author takes strong ground against the revolution, stating, among other things, "Shall we be able to free ourselves from the fate of St. Domingo, Hayti, Mexico, &c.? Those who think so are dreaming." The *Diario del Pueblo* find a great deal to praise in the pamphlet, because it leans toward Spain. Mr. LEMUS is one of the "soldiers of the *Siglo* and has been always looked upon as one of the most talented of Cubans, who now give him quite a different position, and, owing to a recent illness of that gentleman, have had little difficulty in accounting the report that he is suffering from softening of the brain.

FUNERAL REVOLUTIONISTS.

The burial of JOSEPH CANTEL, which has been the grand political demonstration of the Cubans, and of which you will see a detailed account below, has convinced me that fully one-fourth of the Cubans, if not more, are excited in their desire to shake off the yoke of Spanish tyranny, and become free. The Cuban ladies in particular, who, as a general rule, are so mild and amiable, that a strength equalizes them very indolent, are excited and contributing funds, and inciting the men to join the Revolutionists. I should not be surprised to hear of a company of Cuban ladies taking the field; there are undoubtedly as determined, if not more so, than the majority of their male fellow citizens. Instances are known where ladies in male apparel have joined and fought in the ranks of the insurrectionists.

GRAND REVOLUTIONARY DEMONSTRATION.

The Cubans seem to have taken a leaf from the French political volume, and to have studied with considerable advantage the action of the French oppositionists at Rochefort, over the grave of BAUDIN. The most significant demonstration from Havana took place yesterday, each place last Thursday, manifesting the Cubans propriety of the Royal Spaniard, and applauding with a vehemence of the sympathies of all whose humanity had not been dulled and stifled by the dogs from of political and partisan feeling. CANTO GRANDE, a young man belonging to one of the first families of the District of Santo Espiritu, was arrested some time ago by the Government authorities for conversing with the revolution, and, being brought to this city was lodged in the Royal Prison. Some days ago his friends learned the time of his captivity, and a few days ago his body was taken from the prison to the Monserrate Church. What shall be said of the severity of the parish priest who refused to receive his body, grounding his refusal on the fact that the deceased was a rebel, and thereby rebel could profane his church. What language is strong enough to denounce the vindictiveness of a minister of religion which darkens forgiveness of injuries one of its fundamental principles of belief, following even to the grave and desecrating the halo of its sanctity by conduct that would have disgraced Mohammedans? The body having been refused admission by the Christian (?) priests of Monserrate was taken to the "Iglesia de la Salud," (Church of Health,) where it remained from 9 o'clock on the night of the 24th until 3:30 on the morning of the 31st. An immense crowd of people collected in the vicinity of the church, and over seventy private carriages were in readiness to accompany the body to its last resting place in the general cemetery. A splendid hearse was in waiting to receive the body as it came out of the church, but the intimate friends of the deceased refused to allow it to be from there and the body was carried on the shoulders of friends and sympathizers through the streets to the burial ground, the empty hearse forming part of the vast procession. After starting, between seventy and eighty carriages fell into the rear of the funeral cortege, followed by some 1,500 persons on foot, which number was increased to 2,000 before the cemetery was reached. All the way along the sidewalks were crowded with people, who uncovered their heads as the procession moved along, the Cubans placed off by Spaniards. The affair electrified everybody, and the spirit thus evoked could with difficulty be repressed at the time, great, silent tribute to the virtues and political principles of the dead. When the funeral reached the cemetery, one of the Police Guard attempted to impede the entrance of the immense crowd, but soon he shrank off completely abashed, and the vast assembly enjoyed the privilege of the burial ground. Gen. VALMASEDA, at the head of a comparatively small column, started on his first "On to Boyamo" trip. Simultaneously with his movement, other bodies, under Col. BERNEAU and Cols. LOZA and QUINOG, took up a line of march for the same objective point. Each column was driven back, or at least met with such formidable obstacles in the way that they were compelled to return, footed, worn and with heavy loss, to their points of departure. The main body reached the coast at Nuevitas, having sustained a severe check at Alto Grancas. After the failure of this combined movement operations were limited to desultory fights at Moron, Cobre, Lecpiche, and other points, which, though they kept the spirit of either party alive, resulted in nothing decisive. The rebels kept and keep Santiago de Cuba, Manzanillo, and Puerto Principe in a state of siege, and seem to be securing the country, more to pick up stray parties of Government troops than to gather recruits, provisions, or to accomplish anything which might have a powerful bearing on the end in view. We are, of course, totally in the dark as to the plans of the insurgents. Their movements are wrapped in mystery, and as all news from them comes through the Spanish lines, and is filtered through an official censorship, no special reliability can be placed on them. The underground railway, though at work daily, is entitled to little more credence. Rumors are plentiful and "reliable men"—black as well as white—are numerous enough to satisfy a sensation editor. I was told by a Cuban the other day, with an air of great mystery, that the rebels numbered about 24,000 armed men, besides a multitude of camp followers and unarmed braves waiting for the first fight to don the armor of their dead enemies; that CESPEDES had lately held a grand review at Boyamo, at which 15,000 men were under arms; that a body of 500 Cubans from the Western Department had landed at Guanaja; that 100 Americans, with a large number of guns and munitions, had disembarked at some unknown point on the north side, and so on ad infinitum. Reports are so numerous, contradictory and impossible as our grievous dispatches of Virginia memory. If it be true, however, that CESPEDES did hold a review, no matter what number of men composed it, it shows that the rebels have made at least one important step forward, in recognizing the necessity of having the semblance of an organized force. Their late operations have been of the most utter guerrilla character, and have resulted in nothing more than a continual harassing and annoying of the Spanish columns. It is true that they caused the combined November movement to come to grief, but they can never succeed except by annihilating the Government troops in pitched battles. Roving parties, acting under irresponsible leaders, and not directing their efforts to the accomplishment of some defined object, are as great a burden to the country over which they move as they can be a terror to the enemy. With the Government, the objective point is close—it must be Boyamo, the capital; whereas with the rebels, the necessities of the case point to the enemy's army in the field as the prize for which they are to struggle. That they need a part for the introduction of the munitions of war is evident, but it is equally clear that they cannot hold a port against the navy, even after having taken it. They have few pieces of artillery and cannot be very rich in either powder or ball. In a recent sally of the Spanish garrison at Manzanillo, they drove the advance of the besieging force back and captured from them two pieces of cannon, one of which is a curiosity and reflects no small credit on the ingenuity of the rebels. It is of the size and shape of a 12-pounder howitzer, but made of wood and secured by broad bands of iron. In the interior it is lined with copper, and apparently had stood several discharges. Before the Spaniards took it, however, it had been burst, probably by an over charge. The other piece was of antique mould, which had probably seen service in olden wars. They were both carried off to the city by the Spaniards, when they withdrew, and have been sent to Havana as trophies.

Gen. VALMASEDA, as I have said, set out from San Miguel on the 30th, with the head of his column turned toward Boyamo. San Miguel is a small place a few miles from Nuevitas, and is the point where he has been resting after the battle of Alto Grancas. It is distant from Boyamo, by the road, 61 leagues, or 213 miles. His journey lies through the town of Las Tunas, where he will probably be joined by the garrison. A supporting column is to start, also, from Holguin, and possibly a demonstration in force from Manzanillo. It is difficult, in fact impossible, to arrive at a correct estimate of his force; but, in view of the garrisons that must be left at Nuevitas, Manzanillo, St. Jago de Cuba, Cardenas and the other ports, he cannot have more than 5,000 troops of the line. There may, perhaps, be also 2,000 or 3,000 volunteers, so that his entire column cannot number more than 7,000 men, of whom three-fourths are effective. Three days ago he was reported to be at Las Altas, about fifty miles from Boyamo. Although he has gotten thus far, the worst part of his journey is yet to be passed over. Before him, crossing his path, is the river Jalado, and, five miles farther, the main river Cauto, of which the Jalado is a branch. These rivers are now very deep, and may be fended in certain places, but they could be made a formidable obstacle, if the rebels appreciated fully the advantages which they give. A small expedition was recently sent from St. Iago de Cuba up the Cauto River, with orders to penetrate as far into the interior as possible. The expedition consisted solely of the light draft steamer Danaja, carrying on board a company armed with needle guns, besides her usual complement of artillerists. The object was, no doubt, to explore the country to the neighborhood of where VALMASEDA would be compelled to cross, as well as to get themselves in communication with him, and to give him the protection of her heavy guns in transferring his army to the western bank. If such was the object, however, it was not accomplished.

After ascending the river for a short distance they discovered a redoubt of the rebels, manned by about sixty men and armed with an iron piece and a small mortar. Shot was opened at once on it, and the insurgents were prevented from using the cannon. From the mortar they threw a stone weighing about twenty-five pounds, crushing the vessel and starting one or more of her planks. The yellows from the needle guns, however, soon stopped all firing on the part of the Cubans, and they were forced to lie close under cover of the work. The Spanish commander states that he would have landed and occupied the redoubt, but "his ammunition happening to give out," he was compelled to drop down the river. The whole story reads like one of your myriad gunboat encounters during the late war, especially the failure in the supply of ammunition.

This is the last movement, of which we are informed, which bears upon the Valmaseda expedition. The most news which reaches us will announce either its failure or success. The rebels seem to have decided from their ubiquitous raids. And for their own good it is to be hoped that they are considerating so as to present a bold and organized front to the invaders. The roads leading to Boyamo, from all directions, are reported to be obstructed by felled trees, wide and deep ditches and upturn hedges. It is a splendid country for guerrilla fighting. The roads are narrow and the forests dense, and the undergrowth impenetrable, except to a practiced woodsman. Wherever the obstructions referred to above are thickest and most difficult to be avoided, the rebels locate their ambuscades and pour a heavy well-directed fire upon the enemy, while they are sheltered in the ambushes which they have prepared.

In the immediate vicinity of this place there have been no outbreaks of any importance. A timid effort was made at Bayamo Grande, but vanished in smoke. The people are all in a ferment, but is unfavorable to devout prayers that the rebellion will succeed. The outward man of the Man the mountains must bear the brunt of the war, in Eastern and Central Cuba, and the progress of the mountains must bear the brunt of the war, in Eastern and cane-growing portion of the island where the slave-wealth is almost entirely concentrated. There are too many conflicting interests at work to permit most to embark fully in a revolution which may result in the imposition of bitter poverty on those who are now wealthy. All Cubans sympathize, more or less, with the effort at freedom, which their brethren are making, but they are slow to move, and there is now no probability of an outbreak in the West.

This morning placards appeared posted on various houses in the city bearing expressions in favor of a free Cuba annexed to Spain. Little notice has been taken, however, of this demonstration. There is scarcely sender expressed to know who did it.

Commercial matters are very dull. Weather unfavorable and receipts short. Quotations nominal. Vapor No. 13 cleared, and Ia. 28 left for sail to good to fishing.

YUMURI.

The College at Williams and Mary, in Virginia—Application for Aid.

GENERAL HOUSE, NEW-YORK, Tuesday, Jan. 5, 1869.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Presuming on the interest you took some months ago in the restoration of the College of William and Mary, at Williamsburg, Va., I ask you to give a place in the NEW-YORK TIMES to this communication, intended to set forth the present condition and necessities of the institution. "The destruction," so says Gen. MEADE, "of the buildings of William and Mary College by our troops was not only unnecessary and unauthorized, but one of those deplorable acts of useless destruction which occur in all wars." In losses during the late war exceeded those of any other Southern college. The liberality of some gentlemen, W. W. CORCORAN, of Washington, A. T. STEWART, W. E. DODGE, AUGUST BELMONT, ROBERT BONNER and others, in New-York and elsewhere, enabled the college authorities to begin last year the work of reconstruction.

The buildings are now considerably more than half finished, and may be fully prepared by the first of the next collegiate term. To effect this additional funds are required; and, notwithstanding the various and innumerable calls on the benevolence of New-York, I am obliged to make another appeal to it.

The importance to the cause of education, in the wide-wester region of Virginia especially, of the interest I respond, forces me to ignore what scruples or delicacy I may have or feel. I venture to hope that this attempt to complete the restoration of a college, the oldest, excepting Harvard, in the United States, and the educator of a large proportion of our most distinguished national men will not prove vain; and, further, that the City of New-York, by giving her aid, will add to the distinction she deservedly enjoys as the munificent head of so many noble charities and benefactions.

With much respect, I have the honor to be, your obedient servant,

BENJ. S. EWELL,
President College of William and Mary.

The Epiphany—Observance of the Festival Yesterday.

The Feast of the Epiphany was solemnly observed yesterday in the Protestant Episcopal and Catholic Churches of this City, Brooklyn and Jersey City. For 300 years the Christians of the East celebrated the Christmas on this day, as well as the manifestation of our Lord to His disciples—the event to which the name refers. Subsequently the western christians divided the feast, fixing on the 25th of December for the observance of the Nativity, and they have been thus generally observed by the Latin and Protestant Episcopal churches since then. The attendance at all the churches yesterday was large, and the ceremonies at some were elaborate and impressive.

At Zion Church, Bishop SCOTT GRAY's, in Madison-avenue, full Catholical ceremonies were performed, and the anthem "The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light," was given with fine effect. The church was decorated with evergreens woven into crosses, triangles, circles and various other devices. On the altar were fourteen large tapers and several smaller ones, and several such piles, several feet high, were lighted. At the conclusion of the service the rector made a brief address appropriate to the occasion.

The Epiphany was celebrated at St. George's Church, in Fleetwood, by a Sunday-school festival, arranged by the teachers and parents of the children. The interior of the church was decorated with ivy and evergreens, and at the head of the aisle stood a Christmas tree nearly forty feet high, resplendent with frost-work, fruit and flowers. The seats and aisles were filled with spectators of shares in the festivities. The rector, Rev. J. CARTERNAN GARRE, opened the ceremonies with prayer, after which the infant school sang a very pretty carol. Familiar addresses to the children followed from Mr. BARTER, Rev. Mr. COOK, of Jamaica, and Rev. Mr. WEMAN, of College Point, interspersed with hymns by the children, who were afterward made happy by the gifts.

At the Episcopal Church of All Saints, situated on the corner of Henry and Scammel streets, a festival was given to the children of the Sunday School last evening by their pastor and tutors. The interior of the edifice was elaborately decorated. A capacious Christmas tree stood on the altar; it was lighted by gas, and was fruitful with jellybeats, which were distributed among about 300 Sunday School scholars. A pleasant opening address was made by Rev. J. H. WEMAN, Assistant Minister of Trinity Parish, and was followed by the reading of the service for the Festival of the Epiphany by Rev. Mr. HONSON, of Keyport, N. J. A carol "While shepherds watch the flock by night," was very prettily rendered by the infant class, numbering 300 children.

Billiards.

Last evening a match at the French carom game took place at Seamen's Rooms in Fourth-avenue, in the presence of a large number of invited guests, the contestants being Messrs. FOSTER and RALPH BENJAMIN, the meeting being the result of a wager between the friends of the two parties. FOSTER's admirers wagering odds of $100 to $80 that he could score 300 points in the French game before BENJAMIN could score 150. After a lengthy contest, made so by several unnecessary plays for safety, FOSTER came out of the victor by a score of 300 to 261, FOSTER scoring 200 while BENJAMIN made 151. The highest run of the winner was 16, BENJAMIN's being 14. FOSTER scored double figures nine times to BENJAMIN's nine, the average of FOSTER was less than one and a half, and BENJAMIN less than one.

Meeting of New-Haven Railroad Commuters.

Pursuant to an agreement on the 30th ult. a number of commuters upon the New-Haven Railroad waited again yesterday morning upon the President of that road to request sundry additions to the number of trains and in the time of their starting. Later going than those now running, were demanded as a convenience to those who wished to attend amusements in the City, and a more frequent communication was desired.

The President, Mr. BARNUM, was unable to give the gentlemen calling, as yet, any satisfaction, but hoped shortly to do so. The meeting was therefore adjourned until Wednesday next.

GENERAL CITY NEWS.

SAFETY IN RAILROAD TRAVELING.—The attention of Railroad officers is called to the advertisement of the "Creamer Safety Brake" in another column. This improvement is simple and effective, and has received the approval of eminent railway engineers.

SCHOOL TRUSTEES.—The Board of Trustees of common schools of the Sixteenth Ward organized last night by the election of ARTHUR ARMANY Chairman, and T. J. MURRAY Clerk.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, Wednesday, Jan. 6—11 A. M.

The Money market opens quiet. Consols at 93¾ for money, and 93¾ for the account. United States Five-twenties, 74¾. Stocks steady. Erie, 19¾; Illinois Full at 86¾.

LIVERPOOL, Wednesday, Jan. 6—11 A. M.

COTTON—The market opens quiet at the following quotations:

Middling Uplands	12½d.
Middling Orleans	12½d.

The sales of the day are estimated at 10,000 bales.

BREADSTUFFS—The market opens quiet. Corn, 27s. 6d. ⅌ quarter for Old Mixed Western, and 28s. for New. PROVISIONS—Lard quiet and unchanged.

LONDON, Wednesday, Jan. 6—11 A. M.

Tallow quiet. Sugar quiet and steady. Rosin for the spot and to arrive.

LONDON, Wednesday, Jan. 6—[illegible] P. M.

Consols closed at 93¾ for money, and 93¾ for the account. United States Five-twenties, 74¾. Stocks dull at 86¾. Erie, 19¾; Illinois, 86¾.

FRANKFORT, Wednesday, Jan. 6.

United States Five-twenties, [illegible] for the issue of 1862.

LIVERPOOL, Wednesday, Jan. 6—[illegible] P. M.

COTTON—The market closes quiet at the following quotations:

Middling Uplands	12d.@12¼d.
Middling Orleans	12d.@12¼d.

The sales of the day have been 10,000 bales.

BREADSTUFFS—Wheat, 10s. 6d.@12s. 2d. ⅌ bbl. for Western Canal.

PROVISIONS—Lard, 58s. ⅌ cwt.

LONDON, Wednesday, Jan. 6.

Linseed Oil, [illegible]

LIVERPOOL, Wednesday, Jan. 6.

Petroleum firm at 8d. @9d. for Standard White.

LONDON, Wednesday, Jan. 6—[illegible] P. M.

Consols for money, 93¾; for account, 93¾. Bonds quiet at 74¾. Illinois Central, 86¾. Erie unchanged.

LIVERPOOL, Wednesday, Jan. 6—[illegible] P. M.

COTTON—The market is quiet. Middling Uplands, 12d.@12¼d.; Middling Orleans, 12d.@12¼d.

PROVISIONS—Lard, 58s. ⅌ cwt. for American.

LONDON, Wednesday, Jan. 6.

Sugar—[illegible] for Orleans.

COTTON—The market is [illegible]

HAVRE, Wednesday, Jan. 6.

Cotton have advanced to 65f. for middling and 65f. for ordinary.

The Stock market is firm.

PARIS, Wednesday, Jan. 6.

Bourse steady; Rentes, [illegible]

HAVRE, Wednesday, Jan. 6.

COTTON market firmer for the Free Ports. [illegible]

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

Exchange on New-York, 5-16@¼ Premium; [illegible] FLOUR steady with an improved demand [illegible] WHEAT less active and [illegible] decline of 2@3c. on sales of 30,000 bushels [illegible] 1 white at $1 10@$1 12; 1 Milwaukee Club, $1 [illegible] CORN quiet and [illegible] Mixed Western, 1 [illegible] OATS quiet; sales of 8,000 bushels [illegible] advance of 1@2c. [illegible] PORK quiet and [illegible] BEEF [illegible] LARD [illegible] BUTTER [illegible] Cumberland, [illegible] Ohio, [illegible] CHEESE [illegible] Ohio, [illegible] WHISKEY [illegible] TOBACCO [illegible] COTTON [illegible] FREIGHTS [illegible] Corn to Liverpool, [illegible] Cotton, [illegible] Provisions, [illegible] Cheese, [illegible] Tallow, [illegible] Rosin, [illegible] Petroleum